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DIVERGENCE OF MULTIVECTOR FIELDS ON INFINITE-DIMENSIONAL MANIFOLDS

ДИВЕРГЕНЦІЯ БАГАТОВЕКТОРНИХ ПОЛІВ НА НЕСКІНЧЕННОВИМІРНИХ МНОГОВИДАХ

We study the divergence of multivector fields on Banach manifolds with a Radon measure. We propose an infinite-dimensional version of divergence consistent with the classical divergence from finite-dimensional differential geometry. We then transfer certain natural properties of the divergence operator to the infinite-dimensional setting. Finally, we study the relation between the divergence operator div_M on a manifold M and the divergence operator div_S on a submanifold $S \subset M$.

Досліджується дивергенція багатовекторних полів на банахових многовидах із мірою Радона. Запропоновано нескінченновимірну версію дивергенції, яка узгоджується з класичним оператором дивергенції, що розглядається в скінченновимірній диференціальній геометрії. Низку природних властивостей дивергенції перенесено на нескінченновимірний випадок. Крім того, досліджено зв'язок між оператором дивергенції div_M на многовиді M і оператором дивергенції div_S на підмноговиді $S \subset M$.

1. Classical divergence. Let M be an orientable differentiable real n -dimensional manifold of class C^2 . A choice of a volume form Ω on M gives rise to the divergence operator, which is defined as follows. For a vector field X (of class C^1), $\operatorname{div} X$ is the function on M such that

$$\operatorname{div} X \cdot \Omega = d i_X \Omega, \quad (1)$$

where i_X denotes the interior product of a differential form by a vector field X (namely, $i_X \omega(Z_1, \dots, Z_{k-1}) = \omega(X, Z_1, \dots, Z_{k-1})$).

For a decomposable m -vector field $\vec{X} = X_1 \wedge \dots \wedge X_m$ and a differential k -form ω , the interior product $i_{\vec{X}} \omega = i(\vec{X})\omega$ of ω by \vec{X} is given by

$$i_{\vec{X}} \omega := i_{X_m} \dots i_{X_1} \omega, \quad \text{if } m \leq k, \quad (2)$$

and

$$i_{\vec{X}} \omega := 0, \quad \text{if } m > k.$$

Throughout this paper, by an m -vector field of class C^p we mean a **linear combination of decomposable m -vector fields** $\sum_i c_i Z_1^i \wedge \dots \wedge Z_m^i$, where all $Z_j^i \in C^p(M)$. That said, one might notice that some of the definitions and results in the article can also be transferred to multivector fields understood in a broader sense.

In an obvious way the above definition of $i_{\vec{X}}$ extends to an arbitrary multivector field \vec{X} .

This operation satisfies the following property: for any k -vector field \vec{X} , m -vector field \vec{Z} and differential $(k+m)$ -form ω , one has the equality

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$$\langle i_{\vec{X}}\omega, \vec{Z} \rangle = \langle \omega, \vec{X} \wedge \vec{Z} \rangle,$$

where $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ denotes the natural pairing between differential forms and multivector fields of the same degree.

Then the divergence $\operatorname{div} \vec{X}$ of a k -vector field \vec{X} is defined by the identity (see, for example, [6] for an equivalent definition in terms of the Hodge operator)

$$i_{\operatorname{div} \vec{X}}\Omega = (-1)^{k-1} d i_{\vec{X}}\Omega. \tag{3}$$

Remark 1. In principle, we could define the interior product by a multivector field in a different way, namely $i'_{\mathbf{X}_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \mathbf{X}_m} = i_{\mathbf{X}_1} \circ \dots \circ i_{\mathbf{X}_m}$. In this case, Eq. (3) from the definition of divergence becomes $i'_{\operatorname{div} \vec{X}}\Omega = d i'_{\vec{X}}\Omega$. However, in this paper, we always use the definition of interior product $i_{\vec{X}}$ given by (2).

The existence of $\operatorname{div} \vec{X}$ for a multivector field \vec{X} will follow from Proposition 1, and the uniqueness follows from general facts of multilinear algebra (see, for example, [5], Chapter III).

Let M be a manifold of class C^3 . Given a $(k + 1)$ -vector field \vec{X} of class C^2 and a differential k -form ω of class C_0^2 (that is, $\omega \in C^2(M)$ and is boundedly supported) on M , Stokes' theorem implies $\int_M d(\omega \wedge i_{\vec{X}}\Omega) = 0$, which can be written as

$$\int_M d\omega \wedge i_{\vec{X}}\Omega = (-1)^{k+1} \int_M \omega \wedge d i_{\vec{X}}\Omega. \tag{4}$$

Lemma 1. Let ω and \vec{X} be a differential k -form and a k -vector field on M , respectively. Then the following equality holds:

$$\omega \wedge i_{\vec{X}}\Omega = \langle \omega, \vec{X} \rangle \Omega. \tag{5}$$

Proof. Without loss of generality we may assume that \vec{X} is decomposable: $\vec{X} = \mathbf{X}_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \mathbf{X}_k$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \omega \wedge i_{\vec{X}}\Omega &= \omega \wedge (i_{\mathbf{X}_k} \dots i_{\mathbf{X}_1}\Omega) = (-1)^{k-1} (i_{\mathbf{X}_k}\omega) \wedge (i_{\mathbf{X}_{k-1}} \dots i_{\mathbf{X}_1}\Omega) = \dots \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{(k-1)k}{2}} (i_{\mathbf{X}_1} \dots i_{\mathbf{X}_k}\omega) \wedge \Omega = (i_{\mathbf{X}_k} \dots i_{\mathbf{X}_1}\omega) \wedge \Omega = \langle \omega, \vec{X} \rangle \Omega. \end{aligned}$$

Let μ be a measure on M induced by the volume form Ω (for $f \in C^1(M)$, one has $\int_M f d\mu = \int_M f\Omega$). Given a differential k -form ω of class C_0^2 and a $(k + 1)$ -vector field \vec{X} of class C^2 , by (4) and (5), we get

$$\int_M \langle d\omega, \vec{X} \rangle d\mu = \int_M d\omega \wedge i_{\vec{X}}\Omega = (-1)^{k+1} \int_M \omega \wedge d i_{\vec{X}}\Omega = - \int_M \omega \wedge i_{\operatorname{div} \vec{X}}\Omega = - \int_M \langle \omega, \operatorname{div} \vec{X} \rangle d\mu.$$

Thus, (4) is equivalent to

$$\int_M \langle d\omega, \vec{X} \rangle d\mu = - \int_M \langle \omega, \operatorname{div} \vec{X} \rangle d\mu. \tag{6}$$

Using the measure μ , one can now view the divergence of a $(k + 1)$ -vector field \vec{X} on M as a k -vector field which satisfies (6) for any differential k -form of class C_0^2 . For a manifold of class C^3 , this leads to a definition of $\text{div } \vec{X}$ which is equivalent to the original one.

Proposition 1. *Let X and \vec{Z} be a vector field and a k -vector field of class C^1 on M , respectively. Then one has the formula*

$$\text{div}(X \wedge \vec{Z}) = \text{div } X \cdot \vec{Z} - X \wedge \text{div } \vec{Z} + \mathcal{L}_X \vec{Z}, \tag{7}$$

where \mathcal{L}_X denotes the Lie derivation along the field X .

Proof. It suffices to prove formula (7) only for a decomposable multivector field $\vec{Z} = Z_1 \wedge \dots \wedge Z_k$. We have

$$(-1)^k d i_{X \wedge \vec{Z}} \Omega = d i_{\vec{Z} \wedge X} \Omega = d i_X (i_{\vec{Z}} \Omega) = -i_X d(i_{\vec{Z}} \Omega) + \mathcal{L}_X (i_{\vec{Z}} \Omega).$$

For the first term on the right-hand side we get

$$-i_X d(i_{\vec{Z}} \Omega) = -(-1)^{k-1} i_X i_{\text{div } \vec{Z}} \Omega = -(-1)^{k-1} i_{\text{div } \vec{Z} \wedge X} \Omega = -i_{X \wedge \text{div } \vec{Z}} \Omega.$$

For the second term

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_X (i_{\vec{Z}} \Omega) &= \mathcal{L}_X (i_{Z_k} \dots i_{Z_1} \Omega) = i_{Z_k} \mathcal{L}_X (i_{Z_{k-1}} \dots i_{Z_1} \Omega) + i_{\mathcal{L}_X Z_k} (i_{Z_{k-1}} \dots i_{Z_1} \Omega) = \dots \\ &= i_{Z_k} \dots i_{Z_1} \mathcal{L}_X \Omega + \sum_{r=1}^k i_{Z_k} \dots i_{\mathcal{L}_X Z_r} \dots i_{Z_1} \Omega = i_{\vec{Z}} d i_X \Omega + \sum_{r=1}^k i_{Z_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \mathcal{L}_X Z_r \wedge \dots \wedge Z_k} \Omega = \\ &= i_{\vec{Z}} \text{div } X \cdot \Omega + i_{\mathcal{L}_X \vec{Z}} \Omega = i_{\text{div } X \cdot \vec{Z}} \Omega + i_{\mathcal{L}_X \vec{Z}} \Omega = i_{\text{div } X \cdot \vec{Z} + \mathcal{L}_X \vec{Z}} \Omega. \end{aligned}$$

Putting the two terms together, we obtain the identity (7).

Corollary 1. *The divergence of a k -vector field (of class C^p) exists and is a $(k - 1)$ -vector field (of class C^{p-1}).*

Proof. The statement immediately follows from formula (7).

Given a differential k -form ω and a decomposable m -vector field $\vec{X} = X_1 \wedge \dots \wedge X_m$, one defines the interior product $j_\omega \vec{X} = j(\omega) \vec{X}$ of \vec{X} by ω as follows:

$$j_\omega \vec{X} := \frac{1}{k!(m-k)!} \sum_{\sigma \in S_m} \text{sign}(\sigma) \omega(X_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, X_{\sigma(k)}) X_{\sigma(k+1)} \wedge \dots \wedge X_{\sigma(m)}, \quad \text{if } k \leq m,$$

and

$$j_\omega \vec{X} := 0, \quad \text{if } k > m.$$

In an obvious way this definition then extends to an arbitrary multivector field \vec{X} . For a similar definition, see, for example, [12].

The interior product of a multivector field by a differential form satisfies the following property: for any differential k -form ω , differential m -form η and $(k + m)$ -vector field \vec{X} , one has

$$\langle \eta, j_\omega \vec{X} \rangle = \langle \omega \wedge \eta, \vec{X} \rangle. \tag{8}$$

One can prove the following generalisation of Lemma 1 (see [6]): for any differential k -form ω and m -vector field \vec{X} , the following relation holds:

$$i_{j(\omega) \vec{X}} \Omega = (-1)^{k(m+1)} \omega \wedge i_{\vec{X}} \Omega. \tag{9}$$

Proposition 2. *Let ω and \vec{X} be a differential k -form and an m -vector field ($k < m$), respectively. Then the Leibniz rule holds*

$$\operatorname{div}(j(\omega)\vec{X}) = (-1)^k j(d\omega)\vec{X} + (-1)^k j(\omega) \operatorname{div} \vec{X}.$$

Proof. Using (9), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (-1)^{m-k-1} d i_{j(\omega)\vec{X}} \Omega &= (-1)^{m-k-1+k(m+1)} d \omega \wedge i_{\vec{X}} \Omega + (-1)^{m-k-1+k(m+1)+k} \omega \wedge d i_{\vec{X}} \Omega = \\ &= (-1)^{km+m-1} d \omega \wedge i_{\vec{X}} \Omega + (-1)^{km+k} \omega \wedge d i_{\operatorname{div} \vec{X}} \Omega = \\ &= (-1)^{km+m-1+(k+1)(m+1)} i_{j(d\omega)\vec{X}} \Omega + (-1)^{km+k+km} i_{j(\omega) \operatorname{div} \vec{X}} \Omega = \\ &= (-1)^k i_{j(d\omega)\vec{X}} \Omega + (-1)^k i_{j(\omega) \operatorname{div} \vec{X}} \Omega. \end{aligned}$$

2. Associated measures on Banach manifolds (see [1, 3]). Let M be a connected Hausdorff real Banach manifold of class C^2 with a model space E .

We say that an atlas $\mathcal{A} = \{(U_\alpha, \varphi_\alpha)\}$ on M is *bounded* if there exists a real number $K > 0$ such that, for any pair of charts $(U_\alpha, \varphi_\alpha)$ and (U_β, φ_β) , the transition map $F_{\beta\alpha} = \varphi_\beta \circ \varphi_\alpha^{-1}$ satisfies the condition

$$(x \in \varphi_\alpha(U_\alpha \cap U_\beta)) \implies (\|F'_{\beta\alpha}(x)\| \leq K, \|F''_{\beta\alpha}(x)\| \leq K).$$

We then say that two bounded atlases \mathcal{A}_1 and \mathcal{A}_2 are *equivalent* if $\mathcal{A}_1 \cup \mathcal{A}_2$ is again a bounded atlas. A *bounded structure* (of class C^2) on M is defined as an equivalence class of bounded atlases on M .

Let (M_1, \mathcal{A}_1) and (M_2, \mathcal{A}_2) be Banach manifolds M_1 and M_2 of class C^2 modelled on E_1 and E_2 together with bounded atlases \mathcal{A}_1 and \mathcal{A}_2 , respectively. We say that a map $f: M_1 \rightarrow M_2$ is a *bounded morphism* if there exists a real number $C > 0$ such that for any pair of charts $(U, \varphi) \in \mathcal{A}_1$ and $(V, \psi) \in \mathcal{A}_2$, the following condition is satisfied:

$$(p \in U, f(p) \in V) \implies (\|(\psi \circ f \circ \varphi^{-1})^{(k)}(\varphi(p))\| \leq C \text{ for } k = 1, 2).$$

In a natural way one then defines a *bounded isomorphism* between (M_1, \mathcal{A}_1) and (M_2, \mathcal{A}_2) .

The property of being a bounded morphism does not depend on the choice of representatives of the corresponding equivalence classes of bounded atlases on M_1 and M_2 .

A choice of a bounded atlas on M leads to a well-defined notion of the length $L(\Gamma)$ of a piecewise-smooth curve Γ in M . The corresponding intrinsic metric ρ is consistent with the original topology. A bounded morphism $f: (M_1, \mathcal{A}_1) \rightarrow (M_2, \mathcal{A}_2)$ is Lipschitz with respect to the corresponding intrinsic metrics.

A choice of a bounded atlas also allows to introduce a norm $\|\cdot\|_p$ on the tangent space $T_p M$ to the manifold M , defined by $\|\xi_p\| := \sup_\alpha \|\xi_{\varphi_\alpha}\|$, where $\{(U_\alpha, \varphi_\alpha)\}$ is the set of charts of the original atlas for which $p \in U_\alpha$, and $\xi_\varphi \in E$ is the representation of a tangent vector ξ in a chart φ . Furthermore, one has the property of *uniform topological isomorphism* of the spaces $T_p M$ and the model space E , namely $\|\xi_\varphi\| \leq \|\xi_p\| \leq K \|\xi_\varphi\|$, where K is the constant from the definition of a bounded atlas, and φ is a chart at the point $p \in M$.

Remark 2. One can prove that a bounded structure on a manifold is a special case of a Finsler structure (in this case the assignment $\langle p, \xi \rangle \mapsto \|\xi_p\|$ is a continuous function on the tangent bundle TM). However, in order to get the result of Theorem 2 below, it appears that further restrictions on the Finsler structure are needed.

By a differential k -form on M of class C^1 we mean a C^1 -section of the bundle $L_{\text{alt}}^k(TM) \rightarrow M$, where $L_{\text{alt}}^k(TM)$ is obtained by bundling together the spaces $L_{\text{alt}}^k(T_pM)$ of all bounded alternating k -linear forms on T_pM , so that the space $L_{\text{alt}}^k(T_pM)$ is the fibre at $p \in M$ of this bundle.

On a manifold with a bounded atlas (M, \mathcal{A}) one has a well-defined notion of a *bounded* vector field \mathbf{X} of class C^1 . Namely, \mathbf{X} is said to be of class $C_b^1(M)$ if there exists a real number $C > 0$ such that for any chart (U, φ) , the local representation \mathbf{X}_φ of \mathbf{X} satisfies $\|\mathbf{X}_\varphi(\varphi(x))\| \leq C$ and $\|\mathbf{X}'_\varphi(\varphi(x))\| \leq C$ for all $x \in U$. Boundedness of a vector field does not depend on the choice of a bounded atlas from the corresponding equivalence class. In the same way one defines differential forms of class $C_b^1(M)$. Finally, in a similar fashion we can also define smooth functions of class C_b^p , $p = 0, 1, 2$, $C_b = C_b^0$. We will use this same notation also in the case when the domain of a field, differential form or a function is a connected open subset V in M , in E or in a surface in M . A vector field (resp., differential form) of class $C_b^1(V)$ is said to be of class $C_0^1(V)$ if its support is bounded and contained in V together with its ε -neighbourhood for some $\varepsilon > 0$.

We say that a bounded atlas \mathcal{A} is *uniform* if there exists a real number $r > 0$ such that for any $p \in M$, there is a chart $(U, \varphi) \in \mathcal{A}$ such that $\varphi(U)$ contains a ball of radius r in E centred at $\varphi(p)$ [1, 7, 11].

An intrinsic metric on M , induced by a uniform atlas, makes M into a complete metric space. Furthermore, if a bounded atlas is equivalent to a uniform one, then the metric induced by this atlas is also complete. If an equivalence class of atlases which defines a bounded structure on M contains a uniform atlas, we call such a structure *uniform*. If manifolds M_1 and M_2 are boundedly isomorphic, then their structures are either both uniform or nonuniform.

The flow $\Phi(t, x)$ of a vector field \mathbf{X} of class C_b^1 on a manifold M with a uniform structure is defined on $\mathbb{R} \times M$ [11, p. 92].

If V is an open subset of \mathbb{R}^m , then, given a manifold with a bounded atlas (M, \mathcal{A}) , we agree to define a bounded structure on $M \times V$ (with a model space $E \oplus \mathbb{R}^m$) by the atlas $\mathcal{A} \times \text{id} = \{(U \times V, \varphi \times \text{id}) : (U, \varphi) \in \mathcal{A}\}$.

An *elementary surface* $S \subset M$ of codimension m is defined as follows. Let N be a manifold with a bounded structure modelled on a subspace E_1 of E of codimension m (from now on we identify E with $E_1 \oplus \mathbb{R}^m$). Let V be an open neighbourhood of $\vec{0} \in \mathbb{R}^m$, and $g : N \times V \rightarrow U \subset M$ be a bounded (straightening) isomorphism onto an open subset U in M . Then, by definition, an elementary surface is $S = g(N \times \{\vec{0}\})$.

For $\varepsilon > 0$, we define

$$S_{-\varepsilon} := S \cap \{x : \rho(x, M \setminus U) \geq \varepsilon\}.$$

Then $S = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} S_{-\frac{1}{n}}$.

We say that a differential m -form ω of class C_b^1 defined on U is an *associated m -form of the embedding* $S \subset M$ if for any $x \in S$, the tangent space $T_x S$ is an associated subspace of the exterior form $\omega(x)$ in $T_x M$ (i.e., $T_x S = \{Y \in T_x M : i_Y \omega(x) = 0\}$, where i_Y is the interior product of an exterior form by a vector Y).

If $g : N \times V \rightarrow U$ is a straightening isomorphism of an elementary surface S , P is a projection of $N \times V$ onto V , and h is a continuously differentiable function on V such that $h(\vec{0}) \neq 0$, then $\omega = (g^{-1})^* P^*(h dt_1 \wedge \dots \wedge dt_m)$ is an example of an associated m -form of the embedding $S \subset M$. Note that the constructed m -form ω is closed.

Let us now consider a Borel measure μ on M . The associated measure $\sigma = \sigma_{\vec{v}}$ on S is constructed as follows.

We first consider a strictly transversal to S system $\vec{Y} = \{Y_1, \dots, Y_m\}$ of pairwise commuting vector fields of class C_b^1 defined on U . Strict transversality of \vec{Y} is understood in the following sense: for each $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that for any $x \in S_{-\varepsilon}$, one has $|\omega(\vec{Y})(x)| = |\omega(Y_1, \dots, Y_m)(x)| \geq \delta$. Existence of such a system of fields was proved in [3].

Let $\Phi_t^{Y_k}$ denote the flow of Y_k . We then define $\Phi_{\vec{t}}^{\vec{Y}} := \Phi_{t_1}^{Y_1} \dots \Phi_{t_m}^{Y_m}$. One has the property $\Phi_{\vec{t}+\vec{s}}^{\vec{Y}} = \Phi_{\vec{t}}^{\vec{Y}} \Phi_{\vec{s}}^{\vec{Y}}$.

For Borel sets $W \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^m)$ and $A \in \mathcal{B}(M)$, the set $\Phi_W A = \Phi_W^{\vec{Y}} A := \{\Phi_{\vec{t}}^{\vec{Y}}(x) : \vec{t} \in W, x \in A\}$ is a Borel in M . Furthermore, for each $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $p > 0$ such that $(A \in \mathcal{B}(S_{-\varepsilon}), W \in \mathcal{B}(B_p)) \implies (\Phi_W^{\vec{Y}} A \in \mathcal{B}(U))$, where $B_p = \{\vec{t} : \|\vec{t}\| < p\} \subset \mathbb{R}^m$. For any set $B \in \mathcal{B}(B_p)$, we define a measure ν_B on $\mathcal{B}(S_{-\varepsilon})$ by $\nu_B(A) := \mu(\Phi_B^{\vec{Y}} A)$.

Let λ_m denote the Lebesgue measure on \mathbb{R}^m . If, for any $A \in \mathcal{B}(S_{-\varepsilon})$, the following limit exists:

$$\sigma(A) = \sigma_{\vec{Y}}(A) = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{\nu_{B_r}(A)}{\lambda_m(B_r)}, \tag{10}$$

then Nikodym's theorem implies that the map $\mathcal{B}(S_{-\varepsilon}) \ni A \mapsto \sigma_{\vec{Y}}(A) \in \mathbb{R}$ is a Borel measure on $S_{-\varepsilon}$. Writing $A \in \mathcal{B}(S)$ in the form $A = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (A \cap S_{-\frac{1}{n}})$ allows to extend the measure $\sigma_{\vec{Y}}$ to $\mathcal{B}(S)$.

Sufficient conditions for existence of the limit (10) were established in [3]; the authors suggested to call $\sigma_{\vec{Y}}$ the *surface measure* on S of the first kind induced by the system of vector fields \vec{Y} .

Throughout the remainder of this paper we always assume that the surface measure exists.

Given $\varepsilon > 0$ and $r > 0$, let σ_r denote the measure on $\mathcal{B}(S_{-\varepsilon})$ defined by

$$\sigma_r(A) := \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \mu(\Phi_{B_r} A).$$

Then (10) implies that $\sigma_r(A) \rightarrow \sigma(A)$ as $r \rightarrow 0$ for any Borel set $A \subset S_{-\varepsilon}$.

The following two lemmas were proved in [2].

Lemma 2. *Suppose that μ is a Radon measure on M . Then for any $\varepsilon > 0$, σ_r and σ are Radon measures on $S_{-\varepsilon}$.*

Lemma 3. *Suppose that μ is a (nonnegative) Radon measure on M , and $u \in C_b(M)$. Then, for any $\varepsilon > 0$ and $A \in \mathcal{B}(S_{-\varepsilon})$, the following equality holds:*

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r} A} u d\mu = \int_A u d\sigma.$$

3. Multivector fields and divergence operator. The notion of the divergence of a vector field (as given by formula (1)) was generalized by Daletskii and Maryanin [8] to a certain class of Banach manifolds, resulting in the so-called *divergence with respect to a measure*. In that work the divergence of a vector field X with respect to a measure μ was defined as the logarithmic derivative of μ along the vector field X .

In this section, we propose a definition of divergence of multivector fields on a Banach manifold, which generalizes the finite-dimensional divergence as given by formula (3). We then establish some of the properties which this new divergence operator satisfies.

Consider a Banach manifold M with a bounded structure and a (nonnegative) Borel measure μ on M . We say that a k -vector field \vec{Z} on M is μ -measurable if there exists a sequence of continuous

k -vector fields \vec{Z}_n such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\vec{Z}_n(p) - \vec{Z}(p)\|_p = 0 \pmod{\mu}$ (here $\|\cdot\|_p$ is the norm on $\wedge^k(T_p M)$ induced by the corresponding norm $\|\cdot\|_p$ on $T_p M$, see Section 2).

For a measurable multivector field \vec{Z} , the function $x \mapsto \|\vec{Z}(x)\|_p$ is μ -measurable on M . In the case, when this function is integrable on M with respect to μ , we say that \vec{Z} is *integrable*: $\vec{Z} \in L_1(\mu)$ (see [4]). In a similar way one defines multivector fields of class $L_p(\mu)$ for $1 < p \leq \infty$.

It is easy to check that if vector fields Z_2, \dots, Z_k are measurable and bounded on M , and Z_1 is a vector field of class $L_p(\mu)$, then $Z_1 \wedge \dots \wedge Z_k \in L_p(\mu)$. One can also prove that if $Z_1 \wedge \dots \wedge Z_k \in L_p(\mu)$, and ω is a differential form of class $C_b(M)$, then $\langle \omega, Z_1 \wedge \dots \wedge Z_k \rangle \in L_p(\mu)$.

Let $L_p \wedge^k(\mu)$ denote the set of all linear combinations of decomposable k -vector fields of class $L_p(\mu)$ (modulo the measure μ).

Definition 1. Let $\vec{Z} \in L_1 \wedge^k(\mu)$. We call a $(k-1)$ -vector field $\vec{W} \in L_1 \wedge^{k-1}(\mu)$ a *divergence of \vec{Z}* ($\vec{W} = \text{div } \vec{Z}; \vec{Z} \in D(\text{div})$) if for any differential $(k-1)$ -form $\omega \in C_0^1(M)$, the following equality holds:

$$\int_M \langle \omega, \vec{W} \rangle d\mu = - \int_M \langle d\omega, \vec{Z} \rangle d\mu. \tag{11}$$

Uniqueness of the divergence is provided by the following theorem, which was proved in [2].

Theorem 1. Suppose that there exists a function of class C^1 on E with nonempty bounded support (it suffices to assume that E is reflexive, see [10]), and μ is a Radon measure. Then, given a k -vector field $\vec{Z} \in L_1 \wedge^k(\mu)$, there cannot exist two distinct elements of $L_1 \wedge^{k-1}(\mu)$, both of which are divergences of \vec{Z} .

Remark 3. Unlike in the finite-dimensional case, divergence need not exist in general. Thus, one encounters the problem of describing, for a given measure, the class of (multi-)vector fields admitting the divergence.

From now on we always assume that the assumptions of Theorem 1 are satisfied. Let us now prove the infinite-dimensional analogues of Propositions 1 and 2.

Remark 4. Throughout this paper, by a k -vector field of class $C_b^1(M)$ we mean a **linear combination of decomposable k -vector fields** $\sum_i c_i Z_1^i \wedge \dots \wedge Z_k^i$, where all $Z_j^i \in C_b^1(M)$.

Proposition 3. Suppose that a vector field X and a k -vector field \vec{Z} lie in $C_b^1(M) \cap D(\text{div})$. Then $X \wedge \vec{Z} \in C_b^1(M) \cap D(\text{div})$ and the following identity holds:

$$\text{div}(X \wedge \vec{Z}) = \text{div } X \cdot \vec{Z} - X \wedge \text{div } \vec{Z} + \mathcal{L}_X \vec{Z}. \tag{12}$$

Proof. Let ω be a differential k -form of class C_0^1 on M . One has the equality

$$\langle d\omega, X \wedge \vec{Z} \rangle = \langle i_X d\omega, \vec{Z} \rangle = X \langle \omega, \vec{Z} \rangle - \langle di_X \omega, \vec{Z} \rangle - \langle \omega, \mathcal{L}_X \vec{Z} \rangle. \tag{13}$$

Now, by combining (11) and (13), we get

$$\int_M \langle d\omega, X \wedge \vec{Z} \rangle d\mu = - \int_M \langle \omega, -\text{div } X \cdot \vec{Z} + X \wedge \text{div } \vec{Z} - \mathcal{L}_X \vec{Z} \rangle d\mu,$$

which proves the proposition.

Corollary 2. If $\vec{Z} = Z_1 \wedge \dots \wedge Z_k$, and all $Z_i \in C_b^1(M) \cap D(\text{div})$, then $\vec{Z} \in C_b^1(M) \cap D(\text{div})$.

Proposition 4. *Suppose that an m -vector field $\vec{Z} \in D(\text{div})$, and let ω be a differential k -form ($k < m$) of class $C_b^1(M)$. Then $j(\omega)\vec{Z} \in D(\text{div})$, and the following Leibniz rule holds:*

$$\text{div}(j(\omega)\vec{Z}) = (-1)^k j(d\omega)\vec{Z} + (-1)^k j(\omega) \text{div } \vec{Z}.$$

Proof. For any differential $(m - k - 1)$ -form η of class $C_0^1(M)$, using identities (8) and (11), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_M \left(\langle d\eta, j(\omega)\vec{Z} \rangle + \langle \eta, (-1)^k j(d\omega)\vec{Z} + (-1)^k j(\omega) \text{div } \vec{Z} \rangle \right) d\mu = \\ &= \int_M \left(\langle \omega \wedge d\eta, \vec{Z} \rangle + (-1)^k \langle d\omega \wedge \eta, \vec{Z} \rangle + (-1)^k \langle \omega \wedge \eta, \text{div } \vec{Z} \rangle \right) d\mu = \\ &= \int_M \left((-1)^k \langle d(\omega \wedge \eta), \vec{Z} \rangle + (-1)^k \langle \omega \wedge \eta, \text{div } \vec{Z} \rangle \right) d\mu = 0. \end{aligned}$$

4. Divergence on submanifolds. If M is a finite-dimensional (orientable) manifold endowed with a volume form Ω , and U is its open submanifold, then it is natural to take $\Omega|_U$ to be the volume form on U . In this case one has the equality

$$\text{div}_U(\vec{Z}|_U) = (\text{div } \vec{Z})|_U, \tag{14}$$

where div_U is the divergence on U induced by the volume form $\Omega|_U$.

In the case, when U is an open submanifold of a Banach manifold M , the definition of divergence div_U of a multivector field is obtained from Definition 1 by replacing (11) with

$$\int_U \langle \omega, \vec{W} \rangle d\mu = - \int_U \langle d\omega, \vec{Z} \rangle d\mu,$$

which now has to hold for any differential form of class $C_0^1(U)$. In this case formula (14) also holds.

Let now M be an orientable manifold of finite dimension n ; $S \subset M$ an orientable embedded submanifold of dimension $m = n - p$, which is an elementary surface in the sense of Section 2; α an associated differential p -form of the embedding $S \subset M$; $\vec{Y} = \{Y_1, \dots, Y_p\}$ a commuting strictly transversal to S system of vector fields of class $C_b^1(U)$, where U is from the definition of an elementary surface.

For any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\gamma = \gamma(\varepsilon) > 0$ such that for each $(\vec{t}, x) \in B_\gamma \times S_{-\varepsilon}$, one has $\Phi_{\vec{t}}x \in U$, and $\langle \alpha, \vec{Y} \rangle(\Phi_{\vec{t}}x) \neq 0$ (here $B_\gamma = \{ \vec{t} \in \mathbb{R}^p : \| \vec{t} \| < \gamma \}$).

Without loss of generality we may assume that $\langle \alpha, \vec{Y} \rangle(\Phi_{\vec{t}}x) > 0$. One has that the map $q : \Phi_{B_\gamma S_{-\varepsilon}} \ni \Phi_{\vec{t}}x \mapsto x \in S_{-\varepsilon}$ is continuously differentiable.

Let $\Omega = \Omega_S$ be a volume form on S ; \vec{X} a vector field on S ; $\widetilde{\vec{X}}$ the vector field on $\Phi_{B_\gamma S_{-\varepsilon}}$ which is q -related to \vec{X} ($q_*(\widetilde{\vec{X}}(\Phi_{\vec{t}}x)) = \vec{X}(x)$); $\widetilde{\Omega} = q^*\Omega$ a differential p -form on $\Phi_{B_\gamma S_{-\varepsilon}}$.

Suppose that $\vec{X} = X_1 \wedge \dots \wedge X_m$ is a nowhere-vanishing multivector field on $S_{-\varepsilon}$, and let $\beta = \widetilde{\Omega} \wedge \alpha$. Then, for $x \in S_{-\varepsilon}$,

$$\langle \beta, \widetilde{\vec{X}} \wedge \vec{Y} \rangle(x) = \widetilde{\Omega}(\widetilde{\vec{X}})(x) \cdot \alpha(\vec{Y})(x) = (\Omega(\vec{X}) \cdot \alpha(\vec{Y}))(x) > 0$$

(here we used $(i_{X_j}\alpha)(x) = 0$). Choosing a smaller $\gamma > 0$ if needed, we conclude that β is a volume form on $\Phi_{B_\gamma S_{-\varepsilon}} \subset M$.

Proposition 5. Let Z be a vector field of class C_b^1 on S , and let $\operatorname{div}_S Z$ be the divergence of Z with respect to the volume form Ω on S . Given $\varepsilon > 0$, let \tilde{Z} be the vector field on $\Phi_{B_\gamma S_{-\varepsilon}}$ which is q -related to Z , and let $\operatorname{div} \tilde{Z}$ be the divergence of \tilde{Z} with respect to the volume form β . Suppose that α is closed. Then

$$\operatorname{div}_S Z = (\operatorname{div} \tilde{Z})|_S. \tag{15}$$

Proof. Take $x \in S_{-\varepsilon}$. The statement follows from the equalities

$$(\operatorname{div} \tilde{Z} \cdot \beta)(x) = (d i_{\tilde{Z}}(\tilde{\Omega} \wedge \alpha))(x) = (d i_Z \Omega)(x) \wedge \alpha(x) = (\operatorname{div}_S Z \cdot \beta)(x).$$

Corollary 3. In the assumptions of Proposition 5, suppose that \vec{Z} is a multivector field of class C_b^1 on S ; $\vec{\tilde{Z}}$ is the multivector field on $V = \Phi_{B_\gamma S_{-\varepsilon}}$ which is q -related to \vec{Z} ; div_S and div are the divergence operators on (S, Ω) and (V, β) , respectively. Then

$$\operatorname{div}_S \vec{Z} = (\operatorname{div} \vec{\tilde{Z}})|_S. \tag{16}$$

Proof. Formula (16) follows by induction from formula (15); recurrent formula (7), applied to $\operatorname{div}_S(\mathbf{X} \wedge \vec{Z})$ and $\operatorname{div}(\vec{\mathbf{X}} \wedge \vec{\tilde{Z}})$; equalities $\widetilde{\mathbf{X} \wedge \vec{Z}} = \vec{\mathbf{X}} \wedge \vec{\tilde{Z}}$ and $\mathcal{L}_{\vec{\mathbf{X}}} \vec{\tilde{Z}} = \mathcal{L}_{\vec{\mathbf{X}}} \vec{\tilde{Z}}$.

Throughout the remainder of this article, M is a Banach manifold with a uniform atlas, modelled on a space E , where E satisfies the assumptions of Theorem 1. Suppose that S is an elementary surface in M of codimension m ; μ is a (nonnegative) Radon measure on M , and the corresponding measure $\sigma = \sigma_{\vec{\gamma}}$ on the surface $S_{-\varepsilon} \subset S$ is constructed as described in Section 2.

It follows from general theory of differential equations in Banach spaces that there exists $\gamma = \gamma(\varepsilon) > 0$ for which one has a well-defined map $q : \Phi_{B_\gamma S_{-\varepsilon}} \ni \Phi_{\vec{t}} x \mapsto x \in S_{-\varepsilon}$ of class C_b^1 . Let Z be a vector field of class C_b^1 on S . Then the q -related vector field \tilde{Z} is defined on $V = \Phi_{B_\gamma S_{-\varepsilon}}$ and is also of class C_b^1 .

Theorem 2. Suppose that \tilde{Z} admits the divergence $\operatorname{div} \tilde{Z} \in L_\infty(V, \mu)$. Then Z admits the divergence $\operatorname{div}_S Z \in L_\infty(S, \sigma)$, and for any $\varepsilon > 0$ and a bounded Borel function $u : S_{-\varepsilon} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we have the identity

$$\int_{S_{-\varepsilon}} u \operatorname{div}_S Z \, d\sigma = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r S_{-\varepsilon}}} \hat{u} \operatorname{div} \tilde{Z} \, d\mu \tag{17}$$

(here and henceforth $\hat{u}(\Phi_{\vec{t}} x) = u(x)$ for $(\vec{t}, x) \in B_\gamma \times S_{-\varepsilon}$).

Proof. Step 1. Let $u \in C_0^1(S)$. Then $u \in C_0^1(S_{-\varepsilon})$ for some $\varepsilon > 0$. We shall prove that, for any $r \in (0, \gamma)$, the following holds:

$$\int_{\Phi_{B_r S_{-\varepsilon}}} \hat{u} \operatorname{div} \tilde{Z} \, d\mu = - \int_{\Phi_{B_r S_{-\varepsilon}}} \tilde{Z} \hat{u} \, d\mu. \tag{18}$$

The function \hat{u} is not of class $C_0^1(V)$. We will use the fact that \tilde{Z} is tangent to the surface $\Phi_{\vec{t}} S_{-\varepsilon}$ for each $\vec{t} \in B_\gamma$.

Let us define a sequence of functions $\varphi_n \in C[0, r]$ for $n > 3$ as follows:

$$\varphi_n(s) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } s \in \left[0, \frac{n-3}{n}r\right] \cup \left[\frac{n-1}{n}r, r\right], \\ -\frac{n^2}{r^2}s + \frac{n(n-3)}{r}, & \text{if } s \in \left[\frac{n-3}{n}r, \frac{n-2}{n}r\right], \\ \frac{n^2}{r^2}s - \frac{n(n-1)}{r}, & \text{if } s \in \left[\frac{n-2}{n}r, \frac{n-1}{n}r\right]. \end{cases}$$

Then for the sequence of functions $h_n(s) = 1 + \int_0^s \varphi_n(s) ds$, one has that the functions $u_n(\Phi_{\vec{t}}x) = h_n(\|\vec{t}\|) \cdot u(x)$ coincide with $\widehat{u}(\Phi_{\vec{t}}x)$ for $\|\vec{t}\| \leq \frac{n-3}{n}r$, and $u_n \in C_0^1(\Phi_{B_r}S_\varepsilon)$.

Hence, we have

$$\int_{\Phi_{B_r}S_{-\varepsilon}} u_n \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} d\mu = - \int_{\Phi_{B_r}S_{-\varepsilon}} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} u_n d\mu \tag{19}$$

and

$$(\tilde{\mathbf{Z}}u_n)(\Phi_{\vec{t}}x) = h_n(\|\vec{t}\|) \cdot (\tilde{\mathbf{Z}}\widehat{u})(\Phi_{\vec{t}}x) \text{ for } x \in S_{-\varepsilon}.$$

Passing in (19) to the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we obtain (18).

Since the function $\tilde{\mathbf{Z}}\widehat{u} \in C_b(\Phi_{B_\gamma}S_{-\varepsilon})$, Lemma 3 implies the existence of the limit

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r}S_{-\varepsilon}} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}\widehat{u} d\mu = \int_{S_{-\varepsilon}} \mathbf{Z}u d\sigma.$$

Therefore, using (18), we obtain the equality

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r}S_{-\varepsilon}} \widehat{u} \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} d\mu = - \int_{S_{-\varepsilon}} \mathbf{Z}u d\sigma, \tag{20}$$

that holds for any function $u \in C_0^1(S_{-\varepsilon})$.

Step 2. The model space E_1 of the manifold S has a finite codimension in E and therefore also admits a function of class $C^1(E_1)$ with bounded nonempty support. The argument used in the proof of Theorem 1 also proves that there exists a family of functions $\{u_\alpha\}$ of class $C_0^1(S_{-\varepsilon})$ such that the sets $U_\alpha = \{x : u_\alpha(x) > 0\}$ constitute a base of the topology of $S_{-\varepsilon}$.

For any choice of $u \in \{u_\alpha\}$, let $U = \{x : u(x) > 0\}$ be the corresponding set of this base. Taking a sequence of smooth functions $h_n \in C^1(\mathbb{R})$ that approximate the Heaviside step function χ , we construct a sequence of functions $v_n = h_n \circ u$ for which $\{x : v_n(x) > 0\} = U$; $v_n \nearrow \mathbb{1}_U = \chi \circ u$ and $V_n = \{x : v_n(x) = 1\} \nearrow U$ (where $\mathbb{1}_U$ denotes the indicator function of U and the notation $V_n \nearrow U$ means that for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $V_n \subset V_{n+1}$ and $\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} V_n = U$).

Nikodym’s theorem implies the uniform in $r \in (0, \gamma)$ convergence

$$\sigma_r(U \setminus V_n) = \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \mu(\Phi_{B_r}(U \setminus V_n)) \rightarrow 0, \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Since $\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} \in L_\infty(\mu)$, one also has the uniform in $r \in (0, \gamma)$ convergence

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r}S_{-\varepsilon}} |(\widehat{v}_n - \widehat{\mathbb{1}}_U) \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}| d\mu \rightarrow 0, \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

This uniform convergence and the convergence (20), together with the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r} U} \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} d\mu - \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_s)} \int_{\Phi_{B_s} U} \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} d\mu \right| \leq \\ & \leq \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r} S_{-\varepsilon}} |(\widehat{v}_n - \widehat{\mathbb{1}}_U) \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}| d\mu + \\ & + \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_s)} \int_{\Phi_{B_s} S_{-\varepsilon}} |(\widehat{v}_n - \widehat{\mathbb{1}}_U) \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}| d\mu + \\ & + \left| \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r} S_{-\varepsilon}} \widehat{v}_n \cdot \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} d\mu - \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_s)} \int_{\Phi_{B_s} S_{-\varepsilon}} \widehat{v}_n \cdot \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} d\mu \right| \end{aligned}$$

allow us to conclude that the following limit exists:

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r} U} \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} d\mu. \tag{21}$$

Step 3. Let K be a compact subset of $S_{-\varepsilon}$. Then there is a sequence of sets $U_n \in \{U_\alpha\}$ such that $U_n \searrow K$ (i.e., for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $U_n \supset U_{n+1}$ and $\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_n = K$).

Again, using Nikodym’s theorem and the fact that $\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} \in L_\infty(\mu)$, we obtain uniform in $r \in (0, \gamma)$ convergence

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r}(U_n \setminus K)} |\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}| d\mu = 0.$$

From this uniform convergence and the convergence (21), together with the next inequality (here $r, s \in (0, \gamma)$)

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r} K} \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} d\mu - \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_s)} \int_{\Phi_{B_s} K} \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} d\mu \right| \leq \\ & \leq \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r}(U_n \setminus K)} |\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}| d\mu + \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_s)} \int_{\Phi_{B_s}(U_n \setminus K)} |\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}| d\mu + \\ & + \left| \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r} U_n} \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} d\mu - \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_s)} \int_{\Phi_{B_s} U_n} \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} d\mu \right|, \end{aligned}$$

we conclude that the following limit exists:

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r} K} \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} d\mu. \tag{22}$$

Step 4. Let A be an arbitrary Borel subset of $S_{-\varepsilon}$. Let K_n be a non decreasing sequence of compact subsets of A satisfying $\sigma(A \setminus K_n) < \frac{1}{n}$. Then, for $C = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} (A \setminus K_n)$, one has $\sigma(C) = 0$, and therefore

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r, C}} |\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}| d\mu = 0. \tag{23}$$

Analogously to Step 3, we first obtain a uniform in $r \in (0, \gamma)$ convergence

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r, ((A \setminus C) \setminus K_n)}} |\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}| d\mu = 0,$$

and then use (23) and the existence of the limit (22) in order to conclude that the following limit exists:

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r, A}} \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} d\mu. \tag{24}$$

Let now τ_r denote the measure on $\mathcal{B}(S_{-\varepsilon})$ defined by

$$\tau_r(A) := \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r, A}} \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} d\mu.$$

Existence of the limit (24) means that for any Borel set $A \in \mathcal{B}(S_{-\varepsilon})$, there exists a limit $\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \tau_r(A) =: \tau(A)$. Since $\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} \in L_{\infty}(\mu)$, the measure τ is absolutely continuous with respect to σ , and, additionally, $g_{\varepsilon} = \frac{d\tau}{d\sigma} \in L_{\infty}(S_{-\varepsilon}, \sigma)$, and

$$\|g_{\varepsilon}\|_{L_{\infty}(\sigma)} \leq \|\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}\|_{L_{\infty}(\mu)}. \tag{25}$$

For any bounded Borel function u on $S_{-\varepsilon}$, one has

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r, S_{-\varepsilon}}} \hat{u} \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} d\mu = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \int_{S_{-\varepsilon}} u d\tau_r = \int_{S_{-\varepsilon}} u \cdot g_{\varepsilon} d\sigma. \tag{26}$$

Since (26) holds for any bounded Borel function on $S_{-\varepsilon}$, it follows that $g_{\varepsilon_1} = g_{\varepsilon_2}|_{S_{-\varepsilon_1}}$ for $\varepsilon_2 \in (0, \varepsilon_1)$ and, hence, there exists a Borel function g , defined on the whole of S , such that $g_{\varepsilon} = g|_{S_{-\varepsilon}}$ for any $\varepsilon > 0$; moreover, by (25), $g \in L_{\infty}(S, \sigma)$.

In particular, by (20), for any function $u \in C_0^1(S)$, one has

$$-\int_S \mathbf{Z} u d\sigma = \int_S u \cdot g d\sigma.$$

Therefore, there exists $\operatorname{div}_S \mathbf{Z} = g$ on S ; $\operatorname{div}_S \mathbf{Z} \in L_{\infty}(\sigma)$, and for any bounded Borel function u , defined on $S_{-\varepsilon}$ for some $\varepsilon > 0$, equality (17) holds.

Theorem 2 is proved.

Remark 5. Analogously to Lemma 3, one can prove that

$$\int_{S_{-\varepsilon}} u \operatorname{div}_S \mathbf{Z} \, d\sigma = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r, S_{-\varepsilon}}} u \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} \, d\mu$$

for any function $u \in C_b(M)$.

For a differential k -form α of class C_b^1 on S , we define $\hat{\alpha} := q^* \alpha$. For each $\varepsilon > 0$, the form $\hat{\alpha}$ is defined on $\Phi_{B_{\gamma(\varepsilon)}, S_{-\varepsilon}}$.

Corollary 4. Let $\tilde{\mathbf{Z}} = \mathbf{Z}_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \mathbf{Z}_{k+1}$ be a decomposable multivector field of class C_b^1 on S . Given $\varepsilon > 0$, let $\tilde{\mathbf{Z}} = \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{k+1}$ be the q -related multivector field on $\Phi_{B_{\gamma}, S_{-\varepsilon}}$, and suppose that, for each $i \in \{1, \dots, k+1\}$, there exists $\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_i \in L_\infty(\mu)$. Then $\tilde{\mathbf{Z}} \in D(\operatorname{div}_S)$ and $\operatorname{div}_S \mathbf{Z}_i \in L_\infty(\sigma)$ for each $i \in \{1, \dots, k+1\}$. Moreover, for any $\varepsilon > 0$ and differential k -form α of class $C_0^1(S)$, the following equality holds:

$$\int_{S_{-\varepsilon}} \langle \alpha, \operatorname{div}_S \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} \rangle \, d\sigma = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r, S_{-\varepsilon}}} \langle \hat{\alpha}, \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} \rangle \, d\mu.$$

Proof. Induction on k . Theorem 2 constitutes the basis of the induction. The induction step is based on formula (12).

Let $\tilde{\mathbf{Z}} = \mathbf{X} \wedge \tilde{\mathbf{Y}}$, where $\tilde{\mathbf{Y}}$ is a k -vector field, $\tilde{\mathbf{Z}} = \tilde{\mathbf{X}} \wedge \tilde{\mathbf{Y}}$ and $\langle \hat{\alpha}, \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} \rangle = \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{X}} \cdot \langle \hat{\alpha}, \tilde{\mathbf{Y}} \rangle - \langle i_{\tilde{\mathbf{X}}} \hat{\alpha}, \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Y}} \rangle + \langle \hat{\alpha}, \mathcal{L}_{\tilde{\mathbf{X}}} \tilde{\mathbf{Y}} \rangle$.

Since $\langle \hat{\alpha}, \tilde{\mathbf{Y}} \rangle = \langle \alpha, \tilde{\mathbf{Y}} \rangle$, Theorem 2 implies that

$$\int_{S_{-\varepsilon}} \operatorname{div}_S \mathbf{X} \cdot \langle \alpha, \tilde{\mathbf{Y}} \rangle \, d\sigma = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r, S_{-\varepsilon}}} \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{X}} \cdot \langle \hat{\alpha}, \tilde{\mathbf{Y}} \rangle \, d\mu.$$

Since one has $i_{\tilde{\mathbf{X}}} \hat{\alpha} = i_{\mathbf{X}} \alpha$, the equality

$$\int_{S_{-\varepsilon}} \langle i_{\mathbf{X}} \alpha, \operatorname{div}_S \tilde{\mathbf{Y}} \rangle \, d\sigma = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r, S_{-\varepsilon}}} \langle i_{\tilde{\mathbf{X}}} \hat{\alpha}, \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{Y}} \rangle \, d\mu$$

follows from the induction hypothesis.

We have $\langle \hat{\alpha}, \mathcal{L}_{\tilde{\mathbf{X}}} \tilde{\mathbf{Y}} \rangle = \hat{u}$, where $u = \langle \alpha, \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{X}} \tilde{\mathbf{Y}} \rangle$ is a function of class $C_b(S_{-\varepsilon})$, and therefore the identity

$$\int_{S_{-\varepsilon}} \langle \alpha, \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{X}} \tilde{\mathbf{Y}} \rangle \, d\sigma = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\lambda_m(B_r)} \int_{\Phi_{B_r, S_{-\varepsilon}}} \langle \hat{\alpha}, \mathcal{L}_{\tilde{\mathbf{X}}} \tilde{\mathbf{Y}} \rangle \, d\mu$$

is a direct consequence of Lemma 3.

Applying now formula (12) to $\operatorname{div}_S(\mathbf{X} \wedge \tilde{\mathbf{Y}})$, we obtain the statement of the corollary.

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