

CORRECTIONS TO
Introduction to Smooth Manifolds (Second Edition)

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- (6/23/13) **Page 23, two lines below the first displayed equation:** Change “any subspace $S \subseteq V$ ” to “any k -dimensional subspace $S \subseteq V$.”
- (2/22/15) **Page 29, proof of Theorem 1.46, second paragraph, line 4:** Change $\varphi(U \cap V)$ to $\psi(U \cap V)$.
- (10/8/15) **Page 30, Problem 1-6:** Interpret the formula for F_s to mean $F_s(0) = 0$ when $s \leq 1$.
- (5/17/14) **Page 45, second paragraph:** Replace the last sentence of that paragraph with the following: “If N has empty boundary, we say that a map $F : A \rightarrow N$ is *smooth on A* if it has a smooth extension in a neighborhood of each point: that is, if for every $p \in A$ there exist an open subset $W \subseteq M$ containing p and a smooth map $F : W \rightarrow N$ whose restriction to $W \cap A$ agrees with F . When $\partial N \neq \emptyset$, we say $F : A \rightarrow N$ is smooth on A if for every $p \in A$ there exist an open subset $W \subseteq M$ containing p and a smooth chart (V, ψ) for N whose domain contains $F(p)$, such that $F(W \cap A) \subseteq V$ and $\psi \circ F|_{W \cap A}$ is smooth as a map into \mathbb{R}^n in the sense defined above (i.e., it has a smooth extension in a neighborhood of each point).”
- (7/23/14) **Page 45, last displayed equation:** The first = sign should be \subseteq .
- (11/17/12) **Page 56, first displayed equation:** Change $d\iota(v)_p$ to $d\iota_p(v)$.
- (1/26/15) **Page 68, proof of Proposition 3.21:** Insert the following sentence at the beginning of the proof: “Let $n = \dim M$ and $m = \dim N$.” Then in the second sentence, change (3.9) to (3.10). Finally, in the displayed equation, change F^n to F^m (twice).
- (11/17/12) **Page 70, two lines above Corollary 3.25:** Change “Proposition 3.23” to “Proposition 3.24.”
- (3/5/15) **Page 76, Problem 3-8:** Add the following remark: “(For $p \in \partial M$, we need to allow curves with domain $[0, \varepsilon]$ or $(-\varepsilon, 0]$ and to interpret the derivatives as one-sided derivatives.)”
- (5/4/13) **Page 96, Problem 4-3:** This problem probably needs a better hint. First, to get a good result, you’ll have to add the assumption that $\ker dF_p \not\subseteq T_p \partial M$. After choosing smooth coordinates, you can assume $M \subseteq \mathbb{H}^m$ and $N \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$, and extend F to a smooth function \tilde{F} on an open subset of \mathbb{R}^m . If $\text{rank } F = r$, show that there is a coordinate projection $\pi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^r$ such that $\pi \circ \tilde{F}$ is a submersion, and apply the rank theorem to $\pi \circ \tilde{F}$ to find new coordinates in which \tilde{F} has a coordinate representation of the form $\tilde{F}(x, y) = (x, R(x, y))$. Then use the rank condition to show that $R|_M$ is independent of y .
- (9/8/15) **Page 100, proof of Proposition 5.4, next-to-last line:** Change “It a homeomorphism” to “It is a homeomorphism.”
- (7/15/15) **Page 120, proof of Proposition 5.46:** At the beginning of the proof, insert this sentence: “Let $F : D \hookrightarrow M$ denote the inclusion map.”
- (4/17/13) **Page 132, proof of Lemma 6.13, second paragraph:** This argument does not apply when $\partial M \neq \emptyset$, because in that case $M \times M$ is not a smooth manifold with boundary. Instead, we can consider the restrictions of κ to $(M \times \text{Int } M) \setminus \Delta_M$ and to $(M \times \partial M) \setminus \Delta_M$ (both of which are smooth manifolds with boundary), and note that there is a point $[v] \in \mathbb{R}P^{N-1}$ that is not in the image of τ or either of these restrictions of κ . [Thanks to David Iglesias Ponte for suggesting this correction.]
- (7/3/15) **Page 134, displayed equations two-thirds of the way down the page:** In the definition of E_i , there’s an “ $i - i$ ” that should be “ $i - 1$.” It should read $E_i = f^{-1}([b_{i-1}, a_{i+1}])$.
- (11/25/12) **Page 145, statement of Corollary 6.33:** After “immersed submanifold,” insert “with $\dim S = \dim M$.”

- (11/25/12) **Page 148, Problem 6-13:** Delete part (c). [This statement is simply wrong. It is true with the added hypothesis that F' is an embedding, but then it's essentially just a restatement of part (b).]
- (8/26/14) **Page 169, first line:** Change \tilde{G} to G .
- (9/17/14) **Page 173, Problem 7-21:** Replace the first sentence by “Prove that the groups in Problem 7-20 are isomorphic to direct products of the indicated groups in cases (a) and (c) if and only if n is odd, and in cases (b) and (d) if and only if $n = 1$.”
- (11/17/12) **Page 196, proof of Proposition 8.45, next-to-last line:** Should read “ $F_* \circ (F^{-1})_* = (F \circ F^{-1})_* = \text{Id}_{\text{Lie}(H)}$ and $(F^{-1})_* \circ F_* = \text{Id}_{\text{Lie}(G)}$.”
- (12/2/15) **Page 217, Fig. 9.7:** Both occurrences of φ should be Φ .
- (12/2/15) **Page 219, second displayed equation:** Change “ $V^j(0, p) = 0$ ” to “ $\Phi^j(0, p) = 0$.”
- (12/2/15) **Page 219, two lines below (9.12):** Here and in the rest of the paragraph, change p_0 to p_1 (seven times) to avoid confusion with the prior unrelated use of p_0 in this proof.
- (8/19/14) **Page 223, proof of Theorem 9.26:** There's a gap in this proof, because it is not necessarily the case that $M(a)$ is a regular domain in $\text{Int } M$. To correct the problem, we have to choose our collar neighborhood more carefully. Replace the first sentence of the proof by the following paragraph:
- “Theorem 9.25 shows that ∂M has a collar neighborhood C_0 in M , which is the image of a smooth embedding $E_0: [0, 1) \times \partial M \rightarrow M$ satisfying $E_0(0, x) = x$ for all $x \in \partial M$. Let $f: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ be a smooth positive exhaustion function. Note that $W = \{(t, x) : f(E_0(t, x)) > f(x) - 1\}$ is an open subset of $[0, 1) \times \partial M$ containing $\{0\} \times \partial M$. Using a partition of unity as in the proof of Theorem 9.20, we may construct a smooth positive function $\delta: \partial M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $(t, x) \in W$ whenever $0 \leq t < \delta(x)$. Define $E: [0, 1) \times \partial M \rightarrow M$ by $E(t, x) = E_0(t\delta(x), x)$. Then E is a diffeomorphism onto a collar neighborhood C of ∂M , and by construction $f(E(t, x)) > f(x) - 1$ for all $(t, x) \in [0, 1) \times \partial M$. We will show that for each $a \in (0, 1)$, the set $E([0, a] \times \partial M)$ is closed in M . Suppose p is a boundary point of $E([0, a] \times \partial M)$ in M ; then there is a sequence $\{(t_i, x_i)\}$ in $[0, a] \times \partial M$ such that $E(t_i, x_i) \rightarrow p \in M$. Then $f(E(t_i, x_i))$ remains bounded, and thus $f(x_i) < f(E(t_i, x_i)) + 1$ also remains bounded. Since ∂M is closed in M , $f|_{\partial M}$ is also an exhaustion function, and therefore the sequence $\{x_i\}$ lies in some compact subset of ∂M . Passing to a subsequence, we may assume $(t_i, x_i) \rightarrow (t_0, x_0)$, and therefore $p = E(t_0, x_0) \in E([0, a] \times \partial M)$.”
- Then at the end of the first paragraph of the proof, add the following sentences:
- “To see that $M(a)$ is a regular domain, note first that it is closed in M because it is the complement of the open set $C(a)$. Let $p \in M(a)$ be arbitrary. If $p \notin E([0, a] \times \partial M)$, then p has a neighborhood in $\text{Int } M$ contained in $M(a)$ by the argument above. If $p \in E([0, a] \times \partial M)$, then $p = E(a, x)$ for some $x \in \partial M$, and C is a neighborhood of p in which $M(a) \cap C$ is the diffeomorphic image of $[a, 1) \times \partial M$.”
- (1/30/14) **Page 223, proof of Theorem 9.26, last line of the first paragraph:** Change $0 \leq t < a$ to $0 \leq s < a$.
- (1/30/14) **Page 225, Example 9.31:** At the end of the example, insert the sentence “If $n \geq 2$, then $M_1 \# M_2$ is connected.”
- (4/23/13) **Page 230, second paragraph:** “from Case” should be “from Case 1.”
- (6/4/14) **Page 246, Problem 9-11:** Delete the second sentence of the hint. [Because N is inward-pointing along ∂M , no integral curve that starts on ∂M can hit the boundary again, because the vector field would have to be tangent to ∂M or outward-pointing at the first such point.]
- (7/2/14) **Page 264, paragraph above the subheading, first sentence:** “homomorphism” should be “homomorphisms.”
- (6/29/15) **Page 278, Example 11.13, third line:** Change “every coordinate frame” to “every coordinate coframe.”
- (4/17/15) **Page 333, first line:** Change $U \subseteq M$ to $V \subseteq M$.

- (7/1/14) **Page 345, Problem 13-10:** In the last line of the problem statement, change $L_{\bar{g}}(\tilde{\gamma}) > L_{\bar{g}}(\gamma)$ to $L_{\bar{g}}(\tilde{\gamma}) \geq L_{\bar{g}}(\gamma)$, and delete the phrase “unless $\tilde{\gamma}$ is a reparametrization of γ .” [Because the definition of reparametrization that I’m using requires a diffeomorphism of the parameter domain, the original problem statement was not true.]
- (12/18/12) **Page 355, proof of Lemma 14.10:** At the beginning of the proof, insert “Let (E_1, \dots, E_n) be the basis for V dual to (e^i) .”
- (12/18/12) **Page 356, Case 4, second line:** Should read “brings us back to Case 3.”
- (7/3/15) **Page 368, second paragraph:** At the end of the first sentence of the paragraph, insert “(see pp. 341–343).”
- (9/17/14) **Page 371, three lines above (14.31):** Change that sentence to “The only terms in this sum that can possibly be nonzero are those for which J has no repeated indices and m is equal to one of the indices in J , say $m = j_p$.”
- (4/26/14) **Page 402, lines 2–3:** There should not be a paragraph break before “and.”
- (7/22/15) **Page 424, second displayed equation:** Change $\iota_S^* \beta(X)$ to $\iota_{\partial M}^* \beta(X)$.
- (2/18/13) **Page 426, three lines below the section heading:** “can” should be “can.”
- (2/11/15) **Page 430, Proposition 16.38(c):** This statement is wrong. Change it to “If F is smooth, then $F^* \mu$ is a continuous density on M ; and if F is a local diffeomorphism, $F^* \mu$ is smooth.”
- (2/19/13) **Page 444, two lines below equation (17.4):** Change $T_{(q,s)} M$ to $T_{(q,s)}(M \times \mathbb{R})$.
- (5/15/15) **Page 450, proof of Theorem 17.21, line 5:** Change $H_{\text{dR}}^1(\mathbb{S}^n)$ to $H_{\text{dR}}^1(\mathbb{S}^1)$.
- (6/29/14) **Pages 455–456, Proof of Theorem 17.32:** The proof given in the book is incorrect, because the V_i ’s might not be connected, so Theorem 17.30 does not apply to them. Here’s a corrected proof.

Lemma. *If M is a noncompact connected manifold, there is a countable, locally finite open cover $\{V_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$ of M such that each V_i is connected and precompact, and for each j , there exists $k > j$ such that $V_j \cap V_k \neq \emptyset$.*

Proof. Let $\{W_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$ be a countably infinite, locally finite cover of M by precompact, connected open sets (such a cover exists by Prop. 1.19 and Thm. 1.15). By successively deleting unneeded sets and renumbering, we can ensure that no W_j is contained in the union of the other W_i ’s.

Let $Y_1 = \bigcup_{i=2}^{\infty} W_i$. Because M is connected, each component of Y_1 meets W_1 , and by local finiteness of $\{W_j\}$, there are only finitely many such components. Such a component is precompact in M if and only if it is a union of finitely many W_i ’s. Let V_1 be the union of W_1 together with all of the precompact components of Y_1 , and let X_1 be the union of all W_i ’s not contained in V_1 . Then V_1 is connected and precompact, and X_1 has no precompact components. Proceeding by induction, suppose we have defined connected, precompact open sets V_1, \dots, V_m whose union contains $W_1 \cup \dots \cup W_m$, and such that the union X_m of all the W_i ’s not contained in some V_j has no precompact components. Let Y_{m+1} be the union of all W_i ’s other than W_{m+1} not contained in some V_j . Any precompact component of Y_{m+1} must meet W_{m+1} , because otherwise, it would be a precompact component of X_m . Let V_{m+1} be the union of W_{m+1} with all of the precompact components of Y_{m+1} . As before, V_{m+1} is precompact and connected, and the union X_{m+1} of the W_i ’s not contained in any of V_1, \dots, V_{m+1} has no precompact components. Then by construction, for each j , the set $X_j = \bigcup_{i>j} W_i$ has no precompact components. If some V_j does not meet V_k for any $k > j$, then V_j itself is a precompact component of X_{j-1} , which is a contradiction. Thus for each j , there is some $k > j$ such that $V_j \cap V_k \neq \emptyset$. \square

Proof of Theorem 17.32. Choose an orientation on M . Let $\{V_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$ be an open cover of M satisfying the conclusions of the preceding lemma. For each j , let $K(j)$ denote the least integer $k > j$ such that $V_j \cap V_k \neq \emptyset$, and let θ_j be an n -form compactly supported in $V_j \cap V_{K(j)}$ whose integral is 1. Let $\{\psi_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$ be a smooth partition of unity subordinate to $\{V_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$.

Now suppose ω is any n -form on M , and let $\omega_j = \psi_j \omega$ for each j . Let $c_1 = \int_{V_1} \omega_1$, so that $\omega_1 - c_1 \theta_1$ is compactly supported in V_1 and has zero integral. It follows from Theorem 17.30 that there exists $\eta_1 \in \Omega_c^n(V_1)$

such that $d\eta_1 = \omega_1 - c_1\theta_1$. Suppose by induction that we have found η_1, \dots, η_m and constants c_1, \dots, c_m such that for each $j = 1, \dots, m$, $\eta_j \in \Omega_c^n(V_j)$ and

$$d\eta_j = \left(\omega_j + \sum_{i:K(i)=j} c_i\theta_i \right) - c_j\theta_j. \quad (*)$$

Let

$$c_{j+1} = \int_{V_{j+1}} \left(\omega_{j+1} + \sum_{i:K(i)=j+1} c_i\theta_i \right).$$

Then by Theorem 17.30, there exists $\eta_{j+1} \in \Omega_c^n(V_{j+1})$ satisfying the analog of (*) with j replaced by $j+1$. Set $\eta = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \eta_j$, with each η_j extended to be zero on $M \setminus V_j$. By local finiteness, this is a smooth n -form on M . It satisfies

$$d\eta = d\omega + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{i:K(i)=j} c_i\theta_i \right) - \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} c_j\theta_j.$$

Each term $c_i\theta_i$ appears exactly once in the first sum above, so the two sums cancel each other. □

(1/15/13) **Page 491, Example 19.1(c):** Delete the word “unit.”

(5/22/15) **Page 492, line above Proposition 19.2:** Change “lie” to “Lie.”

(12/17/15) **Page 492, proof of Proposition 19.2, fourth line:** Change “Given $p \in M$ ” to “Given $p \in U$.”

(10/9/15) **Page 568, Example 22.9(a), first line:** The coordinates should be $(x^1, \dots, x^n, y^1, \dots, y^n)$. (The last coordinate is y^n , not x^n .)

(11/28/12) **Page 584, Exercise 22.29:** Part (b) should read

$$(b) \quad T = \frac{\partial}{\partial z};$$

(8/14/14) **Page 584, paragraph above Theorem 22.33:** Change all occurrences of θ in this paragraph to ψ , to avoid confusion with the use of θ for a contact form elsewhere in this section.

(11/17/12) **Page 587, equation (22.27):** Change both occurrences of $\sigma(s)$ to $\sigma(x)$.

(9/22/15) **Page 608, Proposition A.41(a):** Insert the following phrase at the beginning of this statement: *With the exception of the word “closed” in part (d).*

(7/22/13) **Page 616, Proposition A.77(b), last line:** Change $\tilde{f}(0)$ to $\tilde{f}_e(0)$.

(12/2/15) **Page 666, just below the fifth display:** After the sentence ending “by our choice of δ and ε ,” insert “(If $t < t_0$, interchange t and t_0 in the second line above.)”

(12/2/15) **Page 667, proof of Theorem D.5, second paragraph:** In the first sentence of the paragraph, after “ $\bar{J}_1 \subseteq J_0$,” insert “and $\theta(\bar{J}_1 \times \{x_0\}) \subseteq U_0$.” Then in the fourth line of that paragraph, change “ $\bar{B}_{2c}(y) \subseteq U$ ” to “ $\bar{B}_{2c}(y) \subseteq U_0$.” [This is to ensure that $J_1 \times W$ will be contained in the domain of θ .]

(3/19/14) **Page 668, second line:** Change W to \bar{W} .

(3/19/14) **Page 668, paragraph below equation (D.10):** In the fourth line of the paragraph, change \bar{W} to W , and in the fifth line, change W to \bar{W} .