

On the pullback equation for differential forms

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An important question in geometry and analysis is to know when two k -forms f and g are equivalent. The problem is therefore to find a map φ such that

$$\varphi^*(g) = f.$$

We will mostly discuss the symplectic case $k = 2$ and the case of volume forms $k = n$. We will give some results on the more difficult case where $3 \leq k \leq n - 2$, the case $k = n - 1$ will also be considered.

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