

MATH 5070 Exam 1 Solutions.

1. proof: The tangent bundle of S^n can be written as

$$p: E \longrightarrow S^n$$

where $E = \{(\alpha, v) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \times \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \mid |\alpha|=1, \alpha \perp v\}$ and $(\alpha, v) \mapsto \alpha$

We think of v as a tangent vector to S^n by translating it so that its tail is at the head of α on S^n .

Thus
$$p: E \longrightarrow S^n$$

$$(\alpha, v) \longmapsto \alpha$$

To construct local trivializations choose any point $x \in S^n$ and let $U_x \subseteq S^n$ to be one open hemisphere which contains x and bounded by a hyperplane through the origin orthogonal to $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Define

$$h_x: p^{-1}(U_x) \longrightarrow U_x \times p^{-1}(x) \cong U_x \times \mathbb{R}^n \text{ by } h_x(y, v) = (y, \pi_x(v))$$

where π_x is orthogonal projection onto the hyperplane $p^{-1}(x)$. Then

h_x is the local trivialization. Since π_x is the isomorphism of

$p^{-1}(y)$ onto $p^{-1}(x)$ for every $y \in U_x$. So if $(\alpha, v) \in E$, we can

express it by $(x_0, \dots, x_n, y_0, \dots, y_n) \in E$, where

$$\begin{cases} x_0^2 + x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2 = 1 \\ x_0 y_0 + x_1 y_1 + \dots + x_n y_n = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$E = \{(z_0, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{C}^{n+1} \mid z_0^2 + z_1^2 + \dots + z_n^2 = 1\} = \{(a_0, b_0, a_1, b_1, \dots, a_n, b_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{2n+2} \mid \begin{cases} a_0^2 + a_1^2 + \dots + a_n^2 - b_0^2 - \dots - b_n^2 = 1 \\ a_0 b_0 + \dots + a_n b_n = 0 \end{cases}\}$$

where $z_j = a_j + ib_j$ ($j=0, 1, 2, \dots, n$)

Thus we construct the function $f: E \longrightarrow E$,
 $(a_0, b_0, \dots, a_n, b_n) \longmapsto \left(\frac{a_0}{\sqrt{1+b_0^2+\dots+b_n^2}}, \dots, \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{1+b_0^2+\dots+b_n^2}}, b_0, \dots, b_n \right)$

This function and its inverse are differentiable since $(0, \dots, 0) \notin E$ and $(0, 0, \dots, 0) \notin E$. Thus f defines a diffeomorphism from E to TS^n .

2. proof: According to the definition of manifolds with boundary, we can prove that if $x \in \partial X$, we can find a neighbourhood U_x and a diffeomorphism

$$h_x: U_x \rightarrow D_x$$

Here D_x is an open set in $H^n = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mid x_n \geq 0\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$.

Let $g: H^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the projection. Then the composition $g \circ h_x$ defines

$$(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mapsto x_n$$

a function on U_x which is nonnegative and $(g \circ h_x)^{-1}(0) = U_x \cap \partial X$

So $d(g \circ h_x)_z(\vec{n}(z)) \geq 0$ for $z \in U_x \cap \partial X$ and \vec{n} is the unit normal vector at z

As ∂X is paracompact, it has a locally finite cover $\{U_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$. Each U_i corresponds

to a function h_i which is defined above. Then we have $f_i = g \circ h_i \geq 0$

and $f_i(x) = 0$ if and only if $x \in \partial X$. The union of $\{U_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ and $X - \partial X$ is

a locally finite cover for X . By partition of unity, we can find

functions $g_i: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ and $F: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ such that

$\text{supp}(g_i) \subseteq U_i$, $\text{supp}(F) \subseteq X - \partial X$ and $\sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} g_i(x) + F(x) = 1$ for $\forall x \in X$.

For $\forall x \in X$, define a function $f = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} g_i f_i + F$ which is nonnegative.

Let $f(x) = 0$, then $g_i(x) f_i(x) = 0$ and $F(x) = 0$. If $x \notin \partial X$, and $x \notin \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} U_i$,

$F(x) = 1$, which is a contradiction. If $x \notin \partial X$ and $x \in \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} U_i$, x must belong

some open set U_j , $j \in \mathbb{N}$. $g_j(x) f_j(x) > 0$. It is also a contradiction. Thus $x \in \partial X$

In reverse, $f(x) = 0$ for $\forall x \in \partial X$. Since $F(x) = 0$ and $f_i(x) = 0$ for $\forall x \in \partial X$

So $f(x) = 0$ iff $x \in \partial X$

$$f'(x) = \sum_{i \in \Lambda} g_i'(x) f_i(x) + \sum_{i \in \Lambda} g_i(x) f_i'(x) + F'(x)$$

Let $x \in \partial X$, $y = h_i(x)$. There is a finite number g_1, \dots, g_k in $\{g_i\}_{i \in \Lambda}$ satisfy

$g_1(x) \neq 0$, $g_2(x) \neq 0$, \dots , $g_k(x) \neq 0$. Denote $U_1 \cap U_2 \cap U_3 \dots \cap U_k = V_k \ni x$. Then

the function $f \circ h_i^{-1}$ is from V_k to \mathbb{R} . It suffices to check $(f \circ h_i^{-1})'(0, 0, \dots, 1) \neq 0$

We assume the transition functions are $\varphi_{12}, \varphi_{13}, \dots, \varphi_{1k}$. Then

$$(f \circ h_i^{-1})(y) = (g_1 \circ h_i^{-1})(y) g_1(y) + \dots + (g_k \circ h_i^{-1})(y) (g \circ \varphi_{1k})(y)$$

$$(f \circ h_i^{-1})'(y) = (g_1 \circ h_i^{-1})(y) \cdot g_1'(y) + \dots + (g_k \circ h_i^{-1})(y) \cdot (g \circ \varphi_{1k})'(y)$$

$$g_1(x_1, \dots, x_n) = x_n \quad g_1'(0, 0, \dots, 1) = 1$$

Since φ_{1i} $i=1, 2, \dots, k$ are diffeomorphisms from $h_1(U_1)$ to $h_i(U_i)$

Then $(g \circ \varphi_{1i})(y) \geq 0$, $g(y) \geq 0$ and $(g \circ \varphi_{1i})'(0, 0, \dots, 1) \geq 0$

Thus $(f \circ h_i^{-1})'(0, 0, \dots, 1) > 0$, and $0 \in B$ a regular value for the function f .

3. proof: Since X is a codimensional 1 submanifold, its normal bundle N is an \mathbb{R} -bundle over X . This is assumed to be nontrivial.

By the tubular neighborhood theorem (cf. e.g. [Lang] p. 111), there is a tubular neighborhood $J(X) \subset M$ diffeomorphic to N . $\partial J(X)$ is a \mathbb{Z}_2 -bundle over X . (i.e. it is a double cover of X)

Furthermore, this is a nontrivial \mathbb{Z}_2 -bundle by the nontriviality of the \mathbb{R} -bundle N .

A nontrivial \mathbb{Z}_2 -bundle over a connected manifold must be connected:

If it is disconnected, then the two disjoint points in any fiber must belong to different connected components, each being a copy of the base manifold, since the latter is connected. (This is because of the unique lifting property of covering space, cf. e.g. [Bredon], Theorem 4.1)

Now, to show that $M - X$ is connected, it suffices to show

that $M - J(X)$ is connected, but the connected manifold M is

the union of $J(X)$, $M - J(X)$ along $\overline{J(X)} \cap (M - J(X)) = \partial(M - J(X))$

both $\overline{J(X)}$ and $\partial(M - J(X))$ being connected. Thus $M - J(X)$

must be connected.