

Homework 2

Due 2 September 2019

Exercise 1. Compute the coordinate representation for each of the following maps in stereographic coordinates (as in Exercise 1 of the previous homework), use this to prove that each map is smooth:

1. For each $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, the n -th power map $p_n : S^1 \rightarrow S^1$ is given in complex notation by $p_n(z) = z^n$ (recall also Exercise 3 of the previous homework).
2. The antipodal map $S^n \rightarrow S^n$, $x \mapsto -x$.
3. The map $S^3 \rightarrow S^2$ given by

$$(z, w) \mapsto (z\bar{w} + w\bar{z}, iw\bar{z} - iz\bar{w}, z\bar{z} - w\bar{w})$$

where we think of S^3 as

$$S^3 \simeq \{(w, z) \in \mathbb{C}^2 \mid |w|^2 + |z|^2 = 1\} \subset \mathbb{C}^2.$$

Exercise 2. Let $f : \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{k+1} \setminus \{0\}$ be a smooth map and suppose that for some $d \in \mathbb{Z}$ we have $f(\lambda x) = \lambda^d f(x)$ for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ and $x \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\}$. Show that the map $\bar{f} : \mathbb{R}P^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}P^k$ induced by f is well defined and smooth.

Exercise 3. For any topological space M let $C(M)$ be the algebra of continuous functions $M \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$. If $\varphi : M \rightarrow N$ is a continuous map defined $\varphi^* : C(N) \rightarrow C(M)$ by $\varphi^*(f) = f \circ \varphi$.

1. Show that φ^* is a linear map.
2. If M, N are smooth manifolds, show that φ is smooth if and only if $\varphi^*(C^\infty(N)) \subset C^\infty(M)$.
3. If $\varphi : M \rightarrow N$ is a homeomorphism between smooth manifolds, show that it is a diffeomorphism if and only iff φ^* restricts to an isomorphism $C^\infty(N) \simeq C^\infty(M)$.

Exercise 4*. Let G be a connected Lie group and $U \subset G$ be any neighborhood of the identity. Show that every element of G can be written as a finite product of elements of U .

Exercise 5. Let G be a connected Lie group. Show that the universal covering \tilde{G} is unique in the following sense: if $G' \rightarrow G$ is any other Lie group homomorphism that is a simply connected covering, then there exists a unique Lie group homomorphism $\varphi : \tilde{G} \rightarrow G'$ making the following diagram commute:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \tilde{G} & \xrightarrow{\exists!} & G' \\
 \downarrow & \swarrow & \\
 G & &
 \end{array}$$

Exercise 6. Let M be a topological manifold and \mathfrak{A} be an open cover by precompact sets. Show that \mathfrak{A} is locally finite if and only if every open $U \in \mathfrak{A}$ intersects non-trivially only finitely many open sets $V \in \mathfrak{A}$.

Exercise 7. Show that $SO(3)$ is a connected Lie group and that $SU(2)$ is its universal cover.