

Math 481: Homework 1

Due Monday, February 3, 2020

1. Prove that the following sets are open:

(a) $B_1^2((0,0))$.

(b) $\{(x^1, x^2) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid (x^1)^2 + (x^2)^2 < 1, x^2 > 0\}$.

(c) $\{(x^1, x^2) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^1 \neq 0\}$.

2. Suppose that $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are smooth.

(a) Show that fg is smooth.

(b) Show that f/g is smooth on $\mathbb{R} \setminus g^{-1}(0)$.

(c) (Bonus) Show that $f \circ g$ is smooth.

3. Consider $S^2 = \{(x^1, x^2, x^3) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid (x^1)^2 + (x^2)^2 + (x^3)^2 = 1\}$, the subset $V_1 = S^2 \setminus \{(0,0,1)\}$, and the map

$$\psi_1 : V_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2, \quad \psi_1(x^1, x^2, x^3) = \left(\frac{x^1}{1-x^3}, \frac{x^2}{1-x^3} \right)$$

(a) Show that ψ_1 is a chart on S^2 . *Hint:* Verify that

$$\psi_1^{-1}(u, v) = \left(\frac{2u}{1+u^2+v^2}, \frac{2v}{1+u^2+v^2}, \frac{u^2+v^2-1}{1+u^2+v^2} \right).$$

(b) Define $V_{-1} = S^2 \setminus \{(0,0,-1)\}$ and $\psi_{-1} : V_{-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ by

$$\psi_{-1}(x^1, x^2, x^3) = \left(\frac{x^1}{1+x^3}, \frac{x^2}{1+x^3} \right)$$

Show that $\mathcal{B} = \{(V_1, \psi_1), (V_{-1}, \psi_{-1})\}$ is a smooth atlas on S^2 .

(c) Verify that the chart (U_1^+, ϕ_1^+) from lecture is compatible with the atlas \mathcal{B} .

(d) Use \mathcal{B} to show that the function $f : S^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) = (x^1)^2$ is smooth.