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Homework Problems 1

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Problem 1

Let $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be a smooth function on an open subset U with $d_x f \neq 0$ at some $x \in U$. Construct coordinates (y_1, \dots, y_n) about x such that $f(y_1, \dots, y_n) = y_1$.

Problem 2

(a) Consider the set of (real) lines in \mathbb{C}^{n+1} ,

$$\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^n := \mathbb{C}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\} / \sim$$

where $x \sim y$ if and only if $x = \lambda y$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$. $\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^n$ is called the n -dimensional complex projective space. It is equipped with the quotient topology induced by the topology of \mathbb{C}^{n+1} and the relation. Show that this is a manifold. Hint: Construct coordinates on $U_k := \{[x] \in \mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^n \mid x_k \neq 0\}$ for $k = 1, \dots, n+1$ and show that the transformation maps are diffeomorphisms.

Show that $\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^n$ is Hausdorff.

(b) Show that $\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^1 \cong S^2$ are diffeomorphic manifolds.

Problem 3

Show that the following conditions are equivalent:

(i) X is Hausdorff. (ii)

$$\{x\} = \bigcap_{x \in U \subset A, U, X \setminus A \text{ open}} A$$

(iii) $\Delta := \{(x, x) \mid x \in X\} \subset X \times X$ is closed.

The following problems will be discussed in the tutorials:

Problem 4

(a) Express the Laplace operator on differentiable functions $f = f(x_1, x_2)$ on (open subsets of) \mathbb{R}^2 ,

$$\Delta f := -\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_1^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_2^2}\right)f,$$

in terms of polar coordinates $(r, \theta) \mapsto (r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta)$. (b) How do bilinear forms on $T_x \mathbb{R}^n \cong \mathbb{R}^n$ transform under coordinate changes?

(c) How does the Hessian of a function f on \mathbb{R}^n ,

$$\text{Hess} f = \left(\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \right)_{i,j},$$

transform under change of coordinates? What is the normal form of the Hessian at a point?

Problem 5

Show that the following topological spaces are differentiable manifolds

(a) The Klein bottle: $K^2 := [0, 1] \times [0, 1] / \sim$ where \sim is the equivalence defined by the following relations: $(0, s) \sim (1, 1 - s)$ and $(t, 0) \sim (t, 1)$

(b) the set of un-ordered n -tuples of complex numbers $R := \mathbb{C}^n / S_n$, where the symmetric group acts via $(z_1, \dots, z_n) \mapsto (z_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, z_{\sigma(n)})$ for a given permutation $\sigma \in S_n$. Is the same true for un-ordered n -tuples of real numbers?

Show that both are Hausdorff.