

DIFFERENTIAL GEOMETRY II: ANALYSIS AND GEOMETRY ON MANIFOLDS

Exercise Sheet 1

(Topological manifolds)

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Exercise 1

5 points

Let X be a topological space and $x \in X$. A *neighborhood of x* is a subset V of X that contains an open set U containing x , i.e. $x \in U \subset V$. Let $n \geq 0$. Show that the following statements are equivalent:

- i) There is a neighborhood of x which is homeomorphic to \mathbb{R}^n .
- ii) There is a neighborhood of x which is homeomorphic to an open subset of \mathbb{R}^n .

Exercise 2

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Let M and N be topological manifolds of dimension m and n , resp. Show that their Cartesian product $M \times N$ is a manifold of dimension $m + n$.

Exercise 3

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Set $X := \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\}$. The *real projective space* \mathbb{RP}^n is then defined as the quotient space of X with respect to the following equivalence relation:

$$x \sim y : \iff x = \lambda y, \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{R}.$$

The *canonical projection* $\pi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{RP}^n$, maps the elements of X to its equivalence classes: $\pi(x) := [x]$. With the *quotient topology*, i.e. the topology defined by

$$U \subset \mathbb{RP}^n \text{ open} : \iff \pi^{-1}(U) \subset X \text{ open},$$

it becomes a topological manifold of dimension n . Show that \mathbb{RP}^n is compact.

Hint: Show that the restriction of the canonical projection π to S^n is surjective.