

## Differentiable manifolds – homework 2

**Exercise 1.** Show that the set of diffeomorphisms of a manifold is a group if endowed with composition of functions as group operation.

**Exercise 2.** Let  $\mathbb{R}$  denote the real numbers with their usual smooth structure. Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be the map  $f(t) = t^3$ . Show that  $f$  is a smooth bijection whose inverse is not smooth.

**Exercise 3.** Let  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  be manifolds and  $p \in M_2$ . Endow  $M_1 \times M_2$  with the manifold structure from example (1.5 g) Show that the maps

$$\begin{aligned} M_1 \times M_2 &\longrightarrow M_1; & (x, y) &\mapsto x; \\ M_1 &\longrightarrow M_1 \times M_2; & x &\mapsto (x, p) \end{aligned}$$

are smooth

**Exercise 4.** Let  $G$  be a Lie group and  $g \in G$ . Show that the maps

$$\begin{aligned} l_g : G &\longrightarrow G; & l_g(h) &= gh; \\ r_g : G &\longrightarrow G; & r_g(h) &= hg \end{aligned}$$

are smooth. Conclude that these maps are in fact diffeomorphisms of  $G$ .

**Exercise 5.** Solve question 3 from Warner.

**Exercise 6** (Question 4 from Warner). A normal topological space is one for which every two disjoint closed sets have  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  have disjoint open neighborhoods  $U_1$  and  $U_2$ , i.e.,  $U_i$  is open,  $F_i \subset U_i$  and  $U_1 \cap U_2 = \emptyset$ . Show that manifolds are normal topological spaces. (Hint: use the corollary to Theorem 1.11)

**Exercise 7** (Čech cochains and differential). Let  $\mathfrak{U} = \{U_\alpha : \alpha \in A\}$  be an locally finite open cover of a connected manifold  $M$ . For  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in A$ , we denote

$$U_{\alpha_0 \dots \alpha_k} = U_{\alpha_0} \cap \dots \cap U_{\alpha_k},$$

or, equivalently, in (ordered) multiindex notation, if  $\mathbf{a} = \{\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_k\}$

$$U_{\mathbf{a}} = \bigcap_{\alpha_i \in \mathbf{a}} U_{\alpha_i}.$$

A degree  $k$ -Čech cochain with real coefficients for the cover  $\mathfrak{U}$  is a collection of functions

$$\check{f} := \{f_{\mathbf{a}} : U_{\mathbf{a}} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid \mathbf{a} \subset A; \|\mathbf{a}\| = k + 1\} \tag{1}$$

such that

- $f_{\alpha_0 \dots \alpha_i \alpha_{i+1} \dots \alpha_k} = -f_{\alpha_0 \dots \alpha_{i+1} \alpha_i \dots \alpha_k}$
- each  $f_{\mathbf{a}}$  is constant.

Denote the set of all degree  $k$  Čech cochains with real coefficients by  $\check{C}^k(M; \mathbb{R}; \mathfrak{U})$ . Note that pointwise addition of functions and scalar multiplication make  $\check{C}^k(M; \mathbb{R}; \mathfrak{U})$  into a real vector space.

Next we define the Čech differential as a linear map  $\delta^{k-1} : \check{C}^{k-1}(M; \mathbb{R}; \mathfrak{U}) \longrightarrow \check{C}^k(M; \mathbb{R}; \mathfrak{U})$ ,

$$\delta^{k-1}(\check{f})_{\alpha_0 \dots \alpha_k} = \sum_i (-1)^i f_{\alpha_0 \dots \alpha_{i-1} \alpha_{i+1} \dots \alpha_k}.$$

1. Describe the elements of  $\check{C}^0$ ;
2. Show that the elements of  $\check{C}^0$  which are in the kernel of  $\delta^0$  correspond to a single constant defined on  $M$ ;
3. Show that  $\delta^k \circ \delta^{k-1} = 0$  for all  $k$ .

It is standard practice in mathematics that whenever one finds a sequence of linear maps between vector spaces

$$\delta^k : V^{k-1} \longrightarrow V^k$$

with  $\delta^k \circ \delta^{k-1} = 0$  one defines *cohomology spaces*:

$$H^k := \frac{\ker(\delta^k)}{\text{Im}(\delta^{k-1})}.$$

In our case, these spaces depend on  $M$  and the open cover  $\mathfrak{U}$ , so we write:

$$\check{H}^k(M; \mathbb{R}; \mathfrak{U}) = \frac{\ker(\delta^k)}{\text{Im}(\delta^{k-1})}.$$

**Exercise 8.** Change the definition of Čech cocycle so that each  $f_{\mathbf{a}}$  in (1) is a smooth function instead of a constant. These are the Čech cochains with coefficients in  $C^\infty(M)$ . Assume that  $\{\psi_\alpha : \alpha \in A\}$  is a partition of unity subordinated to the cover  $\mathfrak{U}$  with the same index set.

1. Show that  $\check{H}^0(M; C^\infty(M), \mathfrak{U}) = \{f : M \longrightarrow \mathbb{R} : f \in C^\infty(M)\}$ .
2. Let  $\check{f} \in \check{C}^k$  with  $k > 0$  be such that  $\delta^k \check{f} = 0$ . Define  $\check{g} \in \check{C}^{k-1}$  by

$$g_{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{k-1}} = \sum_{\beta \in A} \psi_\beta f_{\beta \alpha_1 \dots \alpha_{k-1}}.$$

Show that  $\delta^{k-1} \check{g} = \check{f}$ , i.e.,  $\ker \delta^k = \text{Im} \delta^{k-1}$  and hence  $\check{H}^k(M; C^\infty(M); \mathfrak{U}) = \{0\}$  for  $k > 0$ .