
Exercise Sheet 2

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Exercise 2.1 (Unique Maximal Atlas, 4 Points). Let \mathcal{A} be a smooth atlas for a manifold M and let $\overline{\mathcal{A}}$ be the set of all charts that are smoothly compatible¹ with every chart in \mathcal{A} . Show that $\overline{\mathcal{A}}$ is the unique maximal² smooth atlas containing \mathcal{A} . Such a maximal atlas is called a *smooth structure* for the manifold M .

Exercise 2.2 (Smooth Structures on \mathbb{R} , 2 Points). Find two smooth atlases for the real line \mathbb{R} which are not smoothly compatible to each other and thus yield two different smooth structures for \mathbb{R} .

Exercise 2.3 (Derivations, 4 Points). Let $a \in \mathbb{R}^k$. A *derivation* at a is a linear map $X : C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^k) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ that satisfies

$$X(fg) = f(a)Xg + g(a)Xf \quad \text{for all } f, g \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^k) \quad \text{(Leibniz' rule)}$$

1. Show $Xf = 0$ whenever f is constant.
2. Show $X(fg) = 0$ whenever $f(a) = g(a) = 0$.
3. Show that the set $T_a(\mathbb{R}^k)$ of all derivations at a is a k -dimensional real vector space. For this purpose, consider the map sending $v \in \mathbb{R}^k$ to the derivative in direction of v .

Exercise 2.4 (Derivatives, 2 Points). Consider the manifold

$$M := \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_1^2 - u_2^2 \end{pmatrix} : u_1, u_2 \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$$

with its global chart $\varphi : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ induced by the given parametrization. Compute the derivatives $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \varphi_i}$ at a point $p \in M$ for the function $f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ which is the restriction to M of the function $(x, y, z) \mapsto z$ on \mathbb{R}^3 .

¹A chart (U, φ) is *smoothly compatible* with a chart (V, ψ) if either $U \cap V = \emptyset$ or the transition map $\psi \circ \varphi^{-1} : \varphi(U \cap V) \rightarrow \psi(U \cap V)$ is a diffeomorphism.

²A smooth atlas \mathcal{A} for M is *maximal* if it is not properly contained in any other smooth atlas, i.e. if every chart that is smoothly compatible with all charts in \mathcal{A} is already contained in \mathcal{A} .