

## Math 141 Homework 5

**Problem 1.** GP4, 9. Show that the orthogonal group  $O(n)$  is compact.

**Solution:** From real analysis, being compact in Euclidean space is equivalent to being closed and bounded. We have shown in class that  $O(n)$  is just the pre-image of the identity for the function that sends  $M$  to  $MM^T$ , and since the identity is closed,  $O(n)$  is as well. We also can show that  $O(n)$  is bounded. Consider  $\|M\|$  for any  $M \in O(n)$ , by definition it is

$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i,j} (M_{ij})^2} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^n M_{ij}^2} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n 1} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} * n} = 1$$

because  $M$  is orthogonal. Thus,  $O(n)$  is bound by the value 1.

GP4, 10. Verify that the tangent space to  $O(n)$  at the identity matrix  $I$  is the vector space of skew symmetric  $n \times n$  matrices – that is, matrices  $A$  satisfying  $A^t = -A$ .

**Solution:** Let  $f : M \rightarrow MM^T$ . From class, we have the following series of calculations:  $(I + \varepsilon M) * (I + \varepsilon M)^T = I + \varepsilon(M + M^T) + O(\varepsilon^2)$ , so  $df_I(M) = M + M^T$ . By the proposition in the book and by the fact we know that  $O(n)$  is the preimage of the identity under  $f$ , we have that the Kernel of this derivative is the tangent space of  $O(n)$ , and that is exactly matrices such that  $M + M^T = 0 \iff M^T = -M$ .

**Problem 2.** GP4, 11

(a) The  $n \times n$  matrices with determinant +1 form a group denoted  $SL(n)$ . Prove that  $SL(n)$  is a submanifold of  $M(n)$  and thus is a Lie group.

(b) Check that the tangent space to  $SL(n)$  at the identity matrix consists of all matrices with trace equal to zero.

**Solution:**

(a) We will show this by determining that  $SL_n$  is the pre-image of the regular value 1 under the determinant function. The differential of the determinant function is a linear map into  $\mathbb{R}$ , and thus as long as the differential is not the 0 function, it must be surjective. To confirm that the differential of the determinant is never the 0 function, let us consider  $d(det)_M(A)$  for an arbitrary matrix  $M$ . Assume that  $det(A) \neq 0$ , then  $det(M + \varepsilon A) \geq det(M) + \varepsilon det(A) \neq det(M)$  for  $\varepsilon > 0$ , and thus, the derivative is not 0. We can conclude that 1 is a regular value, and by the Pre-image Theorem, we have that  $SL_n$  is indeed a submanifold.

(b) From class, we have that  $d_I(det)(M) = Tr(M)$ . By the proposition in the section 4, and knowing that  $SL(n)$  is the pre-image of 1 under  $det$ , we have:  $T_I(SL(n)) = Ker(d(det)_I) = \{M : Tr(M) = 0\}$ .

**Problem 3.** Recall that a Lie group is a *subgroup* of some  $GL_n$  which is a manifold. Suppose  $f : G \rightarrow H$  is a map of Lie groups which is both a smooth map and a *homomorphism*, i.e. such that  $f(g_1 \cdot g_2) = f(g_1) \cdot f(g_2)$ . Show that  $f$  is a (submersion, immersion, local diffeomorphism) if and only if  $d_e f$  (the differential at the identity) is, respectively, a (surjective, injective, bijective) linear map. Give an example of a map of connected

Lie groups which is a local diffeomorphism but not a diffeomorphism. (Hint: start by showing that if  $G$  is *abelian*, such as  $SO(2)$ , then the map  $g \mapsto g^2$  is a homomorphism. More interesting non-abelian examples also exist.)

**Solution.** Let  $f : G \rightarrow H$  be a map of Lie groups which is both a smooth map and a homomorphism, i.e. such that  $f(g_1 \cdot g_2) = f(g_1) \cdot f(g_2)$ , and  $f$  is a submersion. Then  $d_e f$  is surjective by definition, similarly for immersion and injectivity.

Now suppose  $f$  is smooth and a homomorphism, as well as  $d_e f$  being surjective. Then we can locally draw the diagram, for neighbourhoods  $N_{e_G}$  of  $e_G$  in  $G$  and  $N_{e_H}$  of  $f(e_G) = e_H$  in  $H$ ,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} N_{e_G} & \xrightarrow{f} & N_{e_H} \\ \phi \uparrow & & \psi \uparrow \\ \mathbb{R}^{n^2} & \xrightarrow{d_e f} & \mathbb{R}^{m^2} \end{array}$$

for  $n \geq m$  for surjectivity.

Note that left translation  $L_x$  in  $G$  is smooth, as it is a restriction of the smooth multiplication map  $\mu$ ,  $L_x = \mu|_{\{g\} \times G}$ . Furthermore, for any  $g_1, g_2 \in G$ ,

$$gg_1 = gg_2 \Rightarrow g^{-1}gg_1 = g^{-1}gg_2 \Rightarrow g_1 = g_2$$

so  $L_x$  is injective. Lastly, for any  $g_3 \in G$ ,

$$g_3 = g(g^{-1}g_3)$$

and thus  $L_x$  is surjective. Therefore  $L_x$  is bijective, and a diffeomorphism.

For any neighbourhood  $N_g$  in  $G$  of some other point  $g \in G$ , by left translation by  $g^{-1}$  we can map this neighbourhood to a neighbourhood of  $e$  under the diffeomorphic left translation. Thus we can construct a diffeomorphism  $\phi_2$  between the neighbourhoods  $N_g$  and  $N_{e_G}$  and similarly, as  $H$  is also a Lie group, a diffeomorphism  $\psi_2$  between  $f(N_g) = N_{e_H}$  by homomorphism, and  $N_{e_H}$ . Thus the composition  $\phi_2^{-1} \circ \phi^{-1} \circ d_e f \circ \psi \circ \psi_2$  is surjective (all diffeomorphisms,  $d_e f$  surjective) and thus  $f : N_g \rightarrow N_{f(g)}$  is surjective, at which point by constructing the standard commutative diagram with diffeomorphic parametrisations from the tangent space, we see that  $d_g f$  must also be surjective.

Similarly, replacing the condition of surjectivity by injectivity, we can construct all of these diffeomorphisms (which are injective by definition) and deduce  $d_g f$  must be injective at any point, i.e.  $f$  an immersion.

Lastly, local diffeomorphisms are locally bijective by definition. For the converse, we have shown surjectivity and injectivity to imply submersion and immersion respectively, hence bijectivity at  $e$  implies local injectivity and surjectivity of the derivative at any point, i.e. bijectivity.

Let  $sq : SO(2) \rightarrow SO(2)$  be the squaring map on the *commutative* (a.k.a. Abelian) group  $SO(2)$  of rotations of the plane. Then for  $M, N \in SO(2)$  we have  $sq(MN) := (MN)^2 = MNMN = M^2N^2 = sq(M)sq(N)$ , so this map is a homomorphism. As we have seen previously, this map is a local diffeomorphism at the identity, therefore (since it is a homomorphism), a local diffeomorphism everywhere. On the other hand, it is not a bijection, since

$$sq \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = sq \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = I.$$

**Problem 4.**

1. Draw or write down two maps  $X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with different but finite numbers of critical values, for two manifolds  $X$  diffeomorphic to the sphere. Draw a picture of the map and the pre-image of each critical value, and compute the Euler characteristic of each resulting one-dimensional manifold (defined as  $V - E$ ). Check that in each case the Euler characteristics sum up to 2, which is the Euler characteristic of  $S^2$ .
  2. Do the same thing with  $X$  diffeomorphic to the torus,  $S^1 \times S^1$ .
- Hint for drawing maps to  $\mathbb{R}$  : start by drawing a shape in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  which can be smoothly deformed to a sphere or a torus, then use projection to the  $z$ -axis to define the map.

**Solution.**

- (a) See picture below. Correction to second computation: should be 4 (from singleton points)  $-2$  (from figure eights)  $= 2$

The image contains two handwritten diagrams illustrating maps from manifolds to the real line.

**Top Diagram (Sphere to  $\mathbb{R}$ ):**

- A sphere is shown being projected onto a vertical axis.
- Critical values are marked on the axis as  $y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4, y_5$ .
- The set of critical values is defined as  $\text{critical values} = \{y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4, y_5\}$ .
- Pre-images are shown for each critical value:
  - $f^{-1}(y_1)$ : two points.
  - $f^{-1}(y_2)$ : a figure-eight curve.
  - $f^{-1}(y_3)$ : a figure-eight curve.
  - $f^{-1}(y_4)$ : a single point.
  - $f^{-1}(y_5)$ : a single point.
- Calculation:  $\chi = |V| - |E| = 6 - 4 = 2$ .

**Bottom Diagram (Torus to  $\mathbb{R}$ ):**

- A torus is shown being projected onto a vertical axis.
- Critical values are marked on the axis as  $y_1, y_2$ .
- Pre-images are shown for each critical value:
  - $f^{-1}(y_1)$ : a square.
  - $f^{-1}(y_2)$ : a diamond.
- Calculation:  $\chi = |V| - |E| = 2 - 0 = 2$ .

(b) See Picture below. Correction to computations: first one should be 2 (from singleton points) - 2 (from figure 8's) = 0 and second one should similarly be 4 - 4 = 0.

