

MATH534A, Problem Set 1, due Aug 30

All problems are worth the same number of points.

1. Problem 1-1 from the textbook (p. 29).
2. Problem 1-2 from the textbook (p. 30).
3. For the sphere

$$S^n = \{(x^1, \dots, x^{n+1}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \mid \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} (x^i)^2 = 1\},$$

let

$$U_+^i = \{(x^1, \dots, x^{n+1}) \in S^n \mid x^i > 0\}, \quad U_-^i = \{(x^1, \dots, x^{n+1}) \in S^n \mid x^i < 0\}.$$

Define also $\phi_{\pm}^i: U_{\pm}^i \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ by

$$\phi_{\pm}^i(x^1, \dots, x^{n+1}) = (x^1, \dots, x^{i-1}, x^{i+1}, \dots, x^{n+1}).$$

Compute the transition maps for the charts $(U_{\pm}^i, \phi_{\pm}^i)$. Hence show that S^n , covered by these charts, is a smooth manifold.

4. Let X be a 1-dimensional manifold covered by two charts with domains U and V respectively. Let also $u: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $v: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the associated coordinates. Assume that the transition map is $v = e^u$. Find a cover of $X \times X$ by coordinate charts and compute the corresponding transition maps.
5. Show that the circle S^1 cannot be covered by one chart.