

MATH553. Topology and Geometry of Surfaces
Problem Sheet 3: Manifolds

Please hand in your solutions in class on *Monday 24th October*.

1. Let

$$S^1 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 + y^2 = 1\},$$

and let

$$U_1 = \{(x, y) \in S^1 : y > 0\}, U_2 = \{(x, y) \in S^1 : y < 0\},$$

$$U_3 = \{(x, y) \in S^1 : x > 0\}, U_4 = \{(x, y) \in S^1 : x < 0\}.$$

a) Sketch the sets U_j on the circle.

Let chart maps $\varphi_j : U_j \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

$$\varphi_1(x, y) = x, \varphi_2(x, y) = x, \varphi_3(x, y) = y, \varphi_4(x, y) = y.$$

b) Compute the transition functions $\varphi_3 \circ \varphi_1^{-1} : (0, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $\varphi_3 \circ \varphi_2^{-1} : (0, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $\varphi_4 \circ \varphi_1^{-1} : (-1, 0) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

2. Fix any $\alpha \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}$. Define an equivalence relation \sim_α on \mathbb{C} by: $z' \sim_\alpha z \Leftrightarrow z' = z + m + n\alpha$ for some $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

a) You might like to check that this is an equivalence relation.

Let

$$B(w, \varepsilon) = \{w' : |w' - w| < \varepsilon\}.$$

b) Find an $\varepsilon > 0$ such that, for any $z \in \mathbb{C}$, the sets $B(z + m + n\alpha, \varepsilon)$ ($m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$) are all disjoint.

Now consider \mathbb{C}/\sim_α with the quotient topology, write $[z]_\alpha = \{z' : z' \sim_\alpha z\}$ and for $B \subset \mathbb{C}$ let

$$[B]_\alpha = \{[z]_\alpha : z \in B\}.$$

Fix $\varepsilon \leq \min(1/4, |\operatorname{Im}(\alpha)|/4)$. For $z \in \mathbb{C}$, define $\varphi_z : [B(z, \varepsilon)]_\alpha \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by

$$\varphi_z([z']_\alpha) = z' \text{ if } |z' - z| < \varepsilon.$$

c) Find the transition function $\varphi_{z_2} \circ \varphi_{z_1}^{-1}$ if

$$(i) |z_1 - z_2| < 2\varepsilon, \quad (ii) |z_1 - z_2 - 1| < 2\varepsilon, \quad (iii) |z_1 - z_2 - \alpha| < 2\varepsilon.$$

3a). Again, let $\alpha \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}$. Show that \mathbb{C}/\sim_α is compact and Hausdorff.

b) Show that the function $[x + iy]_i \mapsto [x + \alpha y]_\alpha : \mathbb{C}/\sim_i \rightarrow \mathbb{C}/\sim_\alpha$ ($x, y \in \mathbb{R}$) is well-defined, a bijection, continuous and a homeomorphism. (To show that the map is continuous it suffices to look at the map $x + iy \mapsto x + \alpha y : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ and write this in coordinate form, identifying \mathbb{C} with \mathbb{R}^2 . For this, write $\alpha = \alpha_1 + i\alpha_2$ with $\alpha_2 \neq 0$. For a homeomorphism, you could use a fact about continuous bijections between compact Hausdorff spaces.)

4. Let

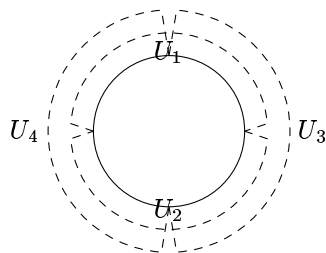
$$U = \{z : 1 < |z| < 2\}, A_1 = \{z : 1 < |z| < 5/4\}, A_2 = \{z : 7/4 < |z| < 2\}.$$

Let the equivalence relation \sim be defined on $U \times \{1, 2\}$ by $(z, j) \sim (z, k) \Leftrightarrow$ either $z = z' \in A_1 \cup A_2$ or $(z, j) = (z', k)$. Now let $(U \times \{1, 2\})/\sim$ be given the

quotient topology. Show that this space is not Hausdorff, possibly by showing that it is impossible to find open sets separating points $[(z, 1)]$ and $[(z, 2)]$ if $|z| = 5/4$ (or $7/4$).

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1a) The sets U_j are as shown.



This makes it clear that $\varphi_3 \circ \varphi_1^{-1}$, $\varphi_3 \circ \varphi_2^{-1}$, $\varphi_4 \circ \varphi_1^{-1}$ are defined on $(0, 1)$, $(0, 1)$, $(-1, 0)$ respectively.

b) If $\varphi_1(x, y) = x$ then $y = +\sqrt{1-x^2}$ and if $\varphi_2(x, y) = x$ then $y = -\sqrt{1-x^2}$. So

$$\varphi_3 \circ \varphi_1^{-1}(x) = +\sqrt{1-x^2} \quad \varphi_3 \circ \varphi_2^{-1}(x) = -\sqrt{1-x^2}, \quad \varphi_4 \circ \varphi_1^{-1}(x) = +\sqrt{1-x^2}.$$

2a) (i) $z = z + 0 + 0\alpha$, so $z \sim_\alpha z$. (Reflexive)

(ii) $z' \sim_\alpha z \Leftrightarrow z' = z + m + n\alpha \Leftrightarrow z = z' + (-m) + (-n)\alpha \Leftrightarrow z \sim_\alpha z'$. (Symmetric)

(iii) If $z' \sim_\alpha z$ and $z'' \sim_\alpha z'$, then $z' = z + m + n\alpha$, $z'' = z' + p + q\alpha$ ($m, n, p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$) and so $z'' = z + (m+p) + (n+q)\alpha$ and $z'' \sim_\alpha z$. (Transitive)

b) Take $\varepsilon = \min(1/2, |\text{Im}(\alpha)|/2)$. If $|z' - (z + m + n\alpha)| < \varepsilon$ and $|(z + p + q\alpha) - z'| < \varepsilon$ then

$$|(z + p + q\alpha) - (z + m + n\alpha)| < 2\varepsilon = \min(1, |\text{Im}(\alpha)|).$$

Then

$$|\text{Im}((q-n)\alpha)| < |\text{Im}(\alpha)|,$$

so $q = n$. Then $|p - m| < 1$. So $p = m$. So the sets $B(z + m + n\alpha, \varepsilon)$ are all disjoint ($m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$).

c) (i) If $[z]_\alpha \in [B(z_1, \varepsilon)]_\alpha \cap [B(z_2, \varepsilon)]_\alpha$, then we can choose z in its equivalence class so that $\varphi_{z_1}([z]_\alpha) = z$, that is, z is in the image of φ_{z_1} , that is, $|z - z_1| < \varepsilon$. If $\varphi_{z_1}^{-1}(z) = [z]_\alpha$ is in the domain of φ_{z_2} then $|z - (z_2 + m + n\alpha)| < \varepsilon$ for some $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$, which gives

$$|z_1 - (z_2 + m + n\alpha)| \leq |z_1 - z| + |z - (z_2 + m + n\alpha)| < 2\varepsilon.$$

But

$$|z_1 - (z_2 + m + n\alpha)| \geq |z_2 - (z_2 + m + n\alpha)| - |z_1 - z_2| \geq 4\varepsilon - 2\varepsilon \geq 2\varepsilon \text{ if } (m, n) \neq (0, 0).$$

So we have $(m, n) = (0, 0)$ and $|z - z_2| < \varepsilon$, and

$$\varphi_{z_2} \circ \varphi_{z_1}^{-1}(z) = \varphi_{z_2}([z]_\alpha) = z.$$

(ii) If $[z]_\alpha \in [B(z_1, \varepsilon)]_\alpha \cap [B(z_2, \varepsilon)]_\alpha$ then again we can choose z in its equivalence class so that $|z - z_1| < \varepsilon$. Then $|z - (z_2 + m + n\alpha)| < \varepsilon$ for some $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$, which gives

$$|z_1 - (z_2 + m + n\alpha)| \leq |z - z_1| + |z - (z_2 + m + n\alpha)| < 2\varepsilon.$$

But

$$|z_1 - (z_2 + m + n\alpha)| \geq |z_2 - (z_2 + (m-1) + n\alpha)| - |z_1 - (z_2 + 1)| \geq 4\varepsilon - 2\varepsilon \geq 2\varepsilon \text{ if } (m, n) \neq (1, 0).$$

So $(m, n) = (1, 0)$ and $|z - (z_2 + 1)| < \varepsilon$, that is, $|(z - 1) - z_2| < \varepsilon$. Then

$$\varphi_{z_2} \circ \varphi_{z_1}^{-1}(z) = \varphi_{z_2}([z]_\alpha) = \varphi_{z_2}([z - 1]_\alpha) = z - 1.$$

(iii) Again, if $[z]_\alpha \in [B(z_1, \varepsilon)]_\alpha \cap [B(z_2, \varepsilon)]_\alpha$ then we can choose z in its equivalence class so that $|z - z_1| < \varepsilon$. Then $|z - z_2 + m + n\alpha| < \varepsilon$ for some $(m, n) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$.

$$|z_1 - (z_2 + m + n\alpha)| \leq |z - z_1| + |z - (z_2 + m + n\alpha)| < 2\varepsilon.$$

But

$$|z_1 - (z_2 + m + n\alpha)| \geq |z_2 - (z_2 + m + (n-1)\alpha)| - |z_1 - (z_2 + \alpha)| \geq 4\varepsilon - 2\varepsilon \geq 2\varepsilon \text{ if } (m, n) \neq (0, 1).$$

So we have $(m, n) = (0, 1)$. Then $|z - (z_2 + \alpha)| < \varepsilon$, that is, $|(z - \alpha) - z_2| < \varepsilon$. So

$$\varphi_{z_2} \circ \varphi_{z_1}^{-1}(z) = \varphi_{z_2}([z]_\alpha) = \varphi_{z_2}([z - \alpha]_\alpha) = z - \alpha.$$

3a) To show Hausdorff: take any $[z]_\alpha \neq [z']_\alpha$. Then $z' \neq z + m + n\alpha$ for any $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$. The distance between any 2 points $z + m + n\alpha$ is $\geq \min(1/2, |\operatorname{Im}(\alpha)|/2) = \delta_0$. So there can be at most one point $z + m + n\alpha$ distance less than $\delta_0/2$ of z' because if there are two of them the distance between them is less than δ_0 . If there is no point $z + m + n\alpha$ within $\delta_0/2$ of z' , take $\delta = \delta_0/4$. If there is one such point $z + m_0 + n_0\alpha$, take $\delta = \frac{1}{2}|z + m_0 + n_0\alpha - z'|$. Then such that

$$|z + m + n\alpha - (z' + p + q\alpha)| = |z + (m-p) + (n-q)\alpha - z'| \geq 2\delta \text{ for all } m, n, p, q \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Then $[B(z, \delta)]_\alpha \cap [B(z', \delta)]_\alpha = \emptyset$ and these are open sets containing $[z]_\alpha, [z']_\alpha$. So

To show compact: Take

$$K = \{z : |z| \leq 1 + |\alpha|\}.$$

For any $z \in \mathbb{C}$ we can find $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $z - (m + n\alpha) \in K$. Then $z \mapsto [z]_\alpha$ is continuous and maps K onto \mathbb{C}/\sim_α . So \mathbb{C}/\sim_α is a continuous image of a compact set, and hence compact.

b) We have $x + iy \sim_i x' + iy' \Leftrightarrow x - x' \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $y - y' \in \mathbb{Z} \Leftrightarrow x + \alpha y \sim_\alpha x' + \alpha y'$. So $[x + iy]_i \mapsto [x + \alpha y]_\alpha$ is well-defined and injective. The map is surjective because any number in \mathbb{C} can be written in the form $x + \alpha y$ for some $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, because $1, \alpha$ are linearly independent over the reals and hence form a basis of \mathbb{C} over \mathbb{R} . (This also implies that the representation as $x + \alpha y$ is unique.)

To show continuity, it suffices to show continuity of $x + iy \mapsto x + \alpha y$. (This is a general result about quotient topology.) Write $\alpha = \alpha_1 + i\alpha_2$ with $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \mathbb{R}$, $\alpha_2 \neq 0$. Then the map becomes

$$(x, y) \mapsto (x + \alpha_1 y, \alpha_2 y).$$

This is continuous. In fact, it is also clear that the inverse is continuous since this is given by

$$(X, Y) \mapsto (X - \alpha_1 Y/\alpha_2, Y/\alpha_2).$$

Alternatively, a continuous bijection between the compact Hausdorff spaces \mathbb{C}/\sim_i and \mathbb{C}/\sim_α is automatically a homeomorphism.

4. Consider $[(z, 1)]$ and $[(z, 2)]$ for any $|z| = 5/4$. Then we have $[(z, 1)] \neq [(z, 2)]$. Let U_1 and U_2 be any open sets containing $[(z, 1)]$ and $[(z, 2)]$ respectively. Let $\pi : U \times \{1, 2\} \rightarrow (U \times \{1, 2\})/\sim$ be the quotient map $\pi(w, j) = [(w, j)]$. Then $\pi^{-1}(U_1)$ and $\pi^{-1}(U_2)$ are open sets in $U \times \{1, 2\}$ containing $(z, 1)$ and $(z, 2)$ respectively. Then there is $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\{(z', j) : |z - z'| < \delta\} \subset \pi^{-1}(U_j).$$

But $\pi^{-1}(U_j)$ is a union of equivalence classes. So if $|z - z'| < \delta$ and $|z'| < 5/4$, then $(z', 1)$ and $(z', 2)$ are both in $\pi^{-1}(U_1)$ and both in $\pi^{-1}(U_2)$. So

$$[(z', 1)] = [(z', 2)] \in U_1 \cap U_2.$$

There are such points z' . So $U_1 \cap U_2 \neq \emptyset$ and $(U \times \{1, 2\})/\sim$ is not Hausdorff.