

# FYMM/MMP IIb 2020 Solutions to Problem Set 2

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1. If we have

$$\mathbb{R} \setminus \{p_1\} \text{ and } \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{p_2\}$$

Which are not homeomorphic as they are connect connected so

$$\mathbb{R} \setminus \{p\}$$

is not connected but

$$\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{p\}$$

is connected. So, from the theorem  $\mathbb{R}$  must not be homeomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

2.  $\pi_2(M)$  is a two-loop. Need to find the fundamental groups.

(a) Not answered.

(b)  $M = T^2$ ,  $T^2 = S^1 \times S^1$ . The fundamental group of  $S^1$  is  $\{e\}$  so we have

$$\pi_2\{T^2\} = \{e\} \times \{e\} = \{e\}$$

$$\text{So } \pi_2(M) = \{e\}$$

3.  $S^1$  in cartesian coordinates is

$$x^2 + y^2 = 1$$

Such that  $(x, y)$  is a point in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . So  $S^1$  is a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ :  $S^1 = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid \sum_i (x^i)^2 = 1\}$ . So we have 2 sets of coordinate neighbourhoods

$$U_{1+} \equiv \{(x, y) \in S^1 \mid x > 0\}$$

$$U_{1-} \equiv \{(x, y) \in S^1 \mid x < 0\}$$

$$U_{2+} \equiv \{(x, y) \in S^1 \mid y > 0\}$$

$$U_{2-} \equiv \{(x, y) \in S^1 \mid y < 0\}$$

With coordinate functions

$$V_{1\pm}(x, y) = y$$

Where  $V_{1\pm}$  maps  $U_{1\pm} \rightarrow (-1, 1)$ . And

$$V_{2\pm}(x, y) = x$$

Where  $V_{2\pm}$  maps  $U_{2\pm} \rightarrow (-1, 1)$ .

These are coordinate neighbourhoods and functions if they are open and a homeomorphism. These can be shown to be homeomorphisms by construction onverses from the transistion functions:  $\psi_{U\pm}$  maps  $(-1, 1) \rightarrow S^1$

$$\psi_{V_{1\pm}}(x, y) = (\pm\sqrt{1-x^2}, x)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (\pm\sqrt{1-y^2}, y) \\
\psi_{V_2\pm}(x, y) &= (x, \pm\sqrt{1-x^2}) \\
&= (y, \pm\sqrt{1-y^2})
\end{aligned}$$

4. Express the vector field

$$V = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$$

in *paraboloidal* coordinates  $(u, v, \varphi)$ , the coordinate transformation is

$$x = uv \cos \varphi, \quad y = uv \sin \varphi, \quad z = \frac{1}{2}(u^2 - v^2).$$

So I need to find functions of  $u, v$  and  $\varphi$ . If we divide  $y$  by  $x$  we get a function of  $\varphi$

$$\frac{y}{x} = \frac{uv \sin(\varphi)}{uv \cos(\varphi)} = \tan(\varphi)$$

And that

$$\begin{aligned}
x^2 + y^2 &= (uv \cos(\varphi))^2 + (uv \sin(\varphi))^2 \\
&= u^2 v^2 \cos^2(\varphi) + u^2 v^2 \sin^2(\varphi)
\end{aligned}$$

Because  $\sin^2 + \cos^2 = 1$  this can be written as

$$= u^2 v^2$$

Notice that

$$\sqrt{u^2 v^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}(u^2 - v^2)\right)^2} = \frac{u^2 + v^2}{2}$$

So adding  $z$  and taking another square root gives  $u$  and adding  $-z$  and another square root gives  $v$  (derived from wolfram alpha)

$$\begin{aligned}
u &= \sqrt{\sqrt{u^2 v^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}(u^2 - v^2)\right)^2} + \left(\frac{1}{2}u^2 - v^2\right)} \\
&= \sqrt{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} + z}
\end{aligned}$$

And

$$v = \sqrt{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} - z}$$

From the lecture notes, a general transformation of coordinates is given by

$$X = X^\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\mu} = Y^\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial y^\mu}$$

Where

$$X^\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\mu} = X^v \frac{\partial y^\mu}{\partial x^v} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^\mu}$$

From the chain rule. The version we need is

$$\frac{\partial y^\mu}{\partial x^v} \Rightarrow y^\mu = (u, v, \varphi)$$

So that we have 3 partial fractions for  $u$ , 3 for  $v$  and 3 for  $\varphi$  for  $x, y, z$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{x}{2\sqrt{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} + z} \cdot \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}}$$

Substituting  $u$  and  $v$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{uv \cos(\varphi)}{\sqrt{\sqrt{u^2 v^2 + (\frac{1}{2}(u^2 - v^2))^2} + \frac{1}{2}(u^2 - v^2)} \sqrt{u^2 v^2 + (\frac{1}{2}(u^2 - v^2))^2}} \\ &= \frac{v \cos(\varphi)}{u^2 + v^2} \end{aligned}$$

Doing this for the rest then gives

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} &= \frac{v \sin(\varphi)}{u^2 + v^2} \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} &= \frac{u}{u^2 + v^2} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} &= \frac{u \cos(\varphi)}{u^2 + v^2} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} &= \frac{u \sin(\varphi)}{u^2 + v^2} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} &= -\frac{v}{u^2 + v^2} \\ \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} &= -\frac{\sin(\varphi)}{uv} \\ \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} &= -\frac{\cos(\varphi)}{uv} \\ \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial z} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

All of which were evaluated using wolfram alpha. So that the vector field in paraboloidal coordinates is

$$X = \frac{u + v(\sin(\varphi) + \cos(\varphi))}{u^2 + v^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial u} + \frac{-v + u(\sin(\varphi) + \cos(\varphi))}{u^2 + v^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial v} + \frac{\cos(\varphi) - \sin(\varphi)}{uv} \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi}$$