

Definition 1 Let $A_1 \times \dots \times A_n$ be some cartesian product of sets. We then define projection maps:

$$\begin{aligned} pr_i : A_1 \times \dots \times A_n &\rightarrow A_i \\ pr_i(a_1, \dots, a_n) &= a_i \end{aligned}$$

Definition 2 Let E, F, B be manifolds¹ and $\pi : E \rightarrow B$ a surjective differentiable map. Then $(E, B, \pi; F)$ is called a fibre bundle if the following is true: For every $x \in B$ there exists an open neighbourhood $U \subseteq B$ containing x , and a diffeomorphism

$$\varphi_U : \pi^{-1}(U) \rightarrow U \times F$$

Such that

$$pr_1 \circ \varphi_U = \pi$$

In other words $\pi^{-1}U$ can be trivialized

The definition above implies that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi^{-1}(U) & \xrightarrow{\varphi_U} & U \times F \\ & \searrow \pi \quad \swarrow pr_1 & \\ & U & \end{array}$$

A fiber bundle is then denoted as $F \rightarrow E \xrightarrow{\pi} B$.

Definition 3 Let $F \rightarrow E \xrightarrow{\pi} B$ and $F' \rightarrow E' \xrightarrow{\pi'} B$ be fibre bundles over the same manifold B . A bundle morphism is a smooth map $H : E \rightarrow E'$ such that:

$$\pi' \circ H = \pi$$

Definition 4 A fibre Bundle

$$V \longrightarrow E \xrightarrow{\pi} M$$

Is a vector bundle of rank m if:

- 1) The fibre V is an m -dimensional vector space.
- 2) The charts (U, φ_U) are such that

$$pr_2 \circ \varphi_U : \pi^{-1}(x) \rightarrow V$$

Is a vector space isomorphism for any $x \in M$ with $x \in U$

Definition 5 A vector bundle of rank 1 is called a line bundle

Suggested Exercises

- I) Give the following objects a fiber bundle structure (i.e. specify the maps π and collection (U, φ_U))
 - i) Consider the cylinder of height 1. Express it as a fiber bundle over base S^1 with fiber $F = [0, 1]$
 - ii) Let E be the Mobius band defined as follows:
Let $I = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ be a square in \mathbb{R}^2 . We define the following equivalence relation for the vertical edges of the square: $(0, y) \sim (1, 1 - y)$. The Mobius band is then the quotient

$$I / \sim$$

(In other words, the points that are quotiented out, are made to be the same point). You should first think about why this indeed defines the Mobius band.

Give this a fiber bundles structure, where the base is B and the fiber is $F = [0, 1]$

- II) Prove that the tangent space of a manifold is a Vector Bundle.

¹Definition taken from "Mathematical Gauge Theory" by M.J.D. Hamilton