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## Preface

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## List of symbols

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$M \pitchfork N$	Transverse intersection
$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$	Riemannian metric on a manifold or, Inner product on space of critical points $\langle c, d \rangle = \delta_{cd}$
$N \cdot N'$	Intersection number of two manifolds
$A$	A $\mathbb{Z}$ -module, i.e. an abelian group
$B^n$	Closed disk of dimension $n$
$C_k(f, \mathbb{Z})$	Free module over $\mathbb{Z}$ generated by index $k$ critical points of $f$ , i.e. the space of formal sums of index $k$ critical points
$C_k(f, \mathbb{Z}_2)$	Vector space over $\mathbb{Z}_2$ generated by the index $k$ critical points of the Morse function $f$
$\text{codim } N$	Codimension of $N$
$\dim N$	Dimension of $N$
$\text{Crit}_k f$	Critical points of $f$ of index $k$
$\text{Crit } f$	Critical points of $f$
$C^\infty(M, N)$	Smooth maps from $M$ to $N$
$\partial_{X,k}$	Morse differential associated to pseudo-gradient $X$
$[\partial_k]$	Matrix of the Morse differential $\partial_k : C_k \rightarrow C_{k-1}$
$D^n$	Open disk of dimension $n$
$\text{grad } f$	Gradient of $f$ , i.e. $(df)^\sharp$
$HM(M; \mathbb{Z}_2)$	Morse homology of a manifold $M$ with coefficients in $\mathbb{Z}_2$
$HM(M; \mathbb{Z})$	Morse homology of a manifold $M$ with coefficients in $\mathbb{Z}$
$HM(C_\bullet(f), \partial_X)$	Morse homology of Morse function $f$ and pseudo-gradient $X$
$H_k(M, N)$	Singular homology of $M$ relative to $N$
$H_k(M; \mathbb{Z})$	Singular homology of $M$ over $\mathbb{Z}$
$H_k(M; \mathbb{Z}_2)$	Singular homology $M$ over $\mathbb{Z}_2$

$\text{Ind } a$	Index of critical point $a$
$\mathcal{L}(p, q)$	Moduli space of unbroken trajectories between $p$ and $q$ , i.e. $\mathcal{M}(p, q)/\mathbb{R}$ , where $\mathbb{R}$ acts by time translations
$\bar{\mathcal{L}}(p, q)$	Space of broken and unbroken trajectories between $p$ and $q$ , the compactification of $\mathcal{L}(p, q)$
$M$	A smooth manifold
$\mathcal{M}(p, q)$	Set of all points on trajectories following a pseudo-gradient from $p$ to $q$ , $W^u(p) \pitchfork W^s(q)$
$N_X(p, q)$	Signed number of trajectories of $X$ connecting $p$ to $q$
$n_X(p, q)$	Number of trajectories of $X$ connecting $p$ to $q$
$\pi_k(M)$	Homotopy group of a manifold
$r_0(A)$	Free rank of a $\mathbb{Z}$ -module, i.e. $\dim_{\mathbb{Q}} A \otimes \mathbb{Q}$
$r_p(A)$	$p$ -torsion rank of a $\mathbb{Z}$ -module, i.e. cardinality of a maximal set of independent elements of order $p^k$ for some $k$
$r_t(A)$	Total torsion rank of a $\mathbb{Z}$ -module, i.e. $\sum r_t$
$r(A)$	Total rank of a $\mathbb{Z}$ -module, i.e. $r_t(A) + r_0(A)$
$S^s(p)$	Stable sphere associated to a critical point $p$ , alternatively called the belt sphere
$S^u(p)$	Unstable sphere associated to a critical point $p$ , alternatively called the attachment sphere
$S^n$	Sphere of dimension $n$
$W^s(p)$	Stable manifold of a critical point $p$
$W^u(p)$	Unstable manifold of a critical point $p$
$\bar{W}^u(p)$	Compactification of the unstable manifold associated to a critical point $p$
$X$	Pseudo-gradient vector field

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# CHAPTER ONE

## Preamble

**Definition 1.1** (Test). This is a test definition.

$$R = 2B \int x \, dt$$

**Corollary 1.2** (Test). Test autoref: Definition 1.1, nameref: Test, cref: definition 1.1

**Proposition 1.3** (Test). Test

**Theorem 1.4** (Test). Test

**Example 1.5** (Test). Test

**Nonexample 1.6** (NoTest). NoTest

**Remark 1.7** (Test). Test

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**Exercise** (Test). Test

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