

**Problem 1.** Consider the 3-sphere as the set of unit quaternions

$$\{x + iy + jz + kw \mid x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + w^2 = 1\}$$

Let  $\phi : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be  $\phi(x + iy + jz + kw) = (y, z, w) \in \mathbb{R}^3$  where

$$U = \{x + iy + jz + kw \in S^3 \mid x > 0\}$$

Consider  $\phi$  as a chart. For each  $q \in S^3$ , define a chart  $\psi_q$  by  $\psi_q(p) = \phi(q^{-1}p)$ . Show that this set of charts is an atlas for a smooth structure on  $S^3$ .

First note that every point  $q \in S^3 \subset \mathbb{H}$  will be included in the domain of its corresponding chart  $\psi_q$ . Moreover since  $\psi_q$  will be a homeomorphism if  $\phi$  is a homeomorphism as  $p \mapsto q^{-1}p$  is continuous where defined. Thus all we need to show is that  $\phi$  is a homeomorphism and that for  $q, p \in S^3$  that  $\psi_q\psi_p^{-1}$  is smooth.

The projection map  $\phi$  is continuous. Define an inverse via

$$\phi^{-1}(y, z, w) = \sqrt{1 - y^2 - z^2 - w^2} + iy + jz + kw$$

This map is continuous as all of its components are continuous. Thus, since  $\phi$  has a continuous inverse, it is indeed a homeomorphism. It then follows that  $\psi_q$  is a homeomorphism due to the reasoning above.

Now we will show that for  $q, p \in S^3$  that  $\psi_q\psi_p^{-1}$  is smooth where defined. Let  $r = x + iy + jz + kw$  and  $p = a + ib + jc + kd$ . Then we expand  $\psi_q\psi_p^{-1}$  as

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_q\psi_p^{-1}(r) &= \psi_q(p\phi^{-1}(r)) \\ &= \psi_q(p(\sqrt{1 - y^2 - z^2 - w^2} + iy + jz + kw)) \\ &= \phi(q^{-1}p(\sqrt{1 - y^2 - z^2 - w^2} + iy + jz + kw)) \end{aligned}$$

The expression  $q^{-1}p(\sqrt{1 - y^2 - z^2 - w^2} + iy + jz + kw)$  is smooth where defined and the projection  $\phi$  is smooth. Therefore  $\psi_q\psi_p^{-1}$  is smooth and therefore the  $\psi_q$ s form an atlas for  $S^3 \subset \mathbb{H}$ .

**Problem 2.** Let  $X$  be a copy of the real line  $\mathbb{R}$  and let  $\phi : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be  $\phi(x) = x^3$ . Taking  $\phi$  as a chart, this defines a smooth structure on  $X$ . Prove or disprove the following statements:

1.  $X$  is diffeomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}$ ;
  2. the identity map  $X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a diffeomorphism;
  3.  $\phi$  together with the identity map comprise an atlas;
  4. on the one-point compactification  $X^+$  of  $X$ ,  $\phi, \psi$  give an atlas, where  $\psi(x) = 1/x$ , for  $x \neq 0, \infty$ , and  $\psi(\infty) = 0$ . ( $\psi$  is defined on  $X^+ \setminus \{0\}$ .)
1. The smooth manifold  $X$  will be diffeomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}$  by the map  $\phi$ . To verify this we check that

$$id_{\mathbb{R}} \circ x^3 \circ x^{-1/3} = x$$

and

$$x^3 \circ x^{1/3} \circ id_{\mathbb{R}}^{-1} = x$$

are smooth. However since they are both the identity map we have that it is the case that  $\phi$  and  $\phi^{-1}$  are both smooth. Thus  $\phi$  is a diffeomorphism and it follows that  $X$  and  $\mathbb{R}$  are diffeomorphic.

2. The identity map will not be a diffeomorphism as

$$id_{\mathbb{R}} \circ id \circ x^{1/3} = x^{1/3}$$

is not a smooth map and thus  $id$  cannot be a diffeomorphism.

3. Together they do not form an atlas as

$$id \circ x^{1/3} = x^{1/3}$$

is not smooth at zero.

4. Yes, the maps  $\phi, \psi$  form an atlas on  $X^+$ . To verify this note first that every point in  $X^+$  is in the domain of  $\phi$  or  $\psi$ ,  $X$  and  $X^+ \setminus \{0\}$  respectively. We also have that  $x^3$  and  $\frac{1}{x}$  are homeomorphisms on their respective domains. Finally the maps

$$\phi\psi^{-1} = x^{-3}$$

and

$$\psi\phi^{-1} = x^{-1/3}$$

are both smooth so long as we avoid both 0 and  $\infty$ .

Therefore  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  form an atlas for  $X^+$ .