

MA 562: Notes

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1 Preliminaries

These set of notes are based off of Boothby's *Differential Geometry* book, chapters 1 through 6.

Definition 1. A *topological space* M is a pair (X, \mathcal{T}) , where X is a set, \mathcal{T} is a collection of subsets of X such that

- (a) $\emptyset, X \in \mathcal{T}$.
- (b) The union of any subcollection of \mathcal{T} is in \mathcal{T} .

$$\{U_\alpha\} \subset \mathcal{T} \implies \bigcup_{\alpha} U_\alpha \in \mathcal{T}.$$

- (c) Intersection of a finite subcollection of \mathcal{T} is in \mathcal{T} .

$$\{U_1, \dots, U_k\} \subset \mathcal{T} \implies \bigcap_{j=1}^k U_j \in \mathcal{T}.$$

\mathcal{T} is called the *topology* of M . Elements of \mathcal{T} are called the *open sets* of M . By abuse of notation, we sometimes refer to X as M .

Definition 2. (a) A *metric* on X is a function $d: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ such that

- (1) $d(x, y) \geq 0 \ \forall x, y \in X$ and $d(x, y) = 0 \iff x = y$.
- (2) $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$.
- (3) $d(x, y) + d(y, z) \geq d(x, z)$ (the triangle inequality).

- (b) $B_d(x, r) = \{y \in X \mid d(x, y) < r\}$.

- (c) A topological space M is a *metric space* if the set of balls $B_d(x, r)$ form a *basis* of M , i.e., any open set of M can be written as a union of open balls $B_d(x, r)$ for some $x \in X, r > 0$.

Definition 3. A topological space X is *Hausdorff* if for any $x_1 \neq x_2$ in X , there exist open sets $U_1 \ni x_1, U_2 \ni x_2$ such that $U_1 \cap U_2 = \emptyset$.

Definition 4. A *topological manifold* M of dimension n is a topological space such that

- (a) M is Hausdorff.
- (b) locally Euclidean, i.e., $\forall x \in M$ there exists a neighborhood U of x which is homeomorphic to $V \subset \mathbf{R}^n$ (there exists a map $f: U \rightarrow V \subset \mathbf{R}^n$ such that f is bijective, continuous and f^{-1} is continuous).
- (c) M has a countable basis of open sets.

Theorem 1 (Boothby I.3.6). A topological manifold is metrizable (also locally connected, locally compact, and normal).

Definition 5. (a) A *covering* of a topological manifold is a collection of open sets $\{U_\alpha\}$ such that any $x \in M$ is contained in some U_α .

(b) A manifold is *compact* if every open cover contains a finite subcover.

Definition 6. (1) Half space

$$\mathbf{H}^n = \{x \in \mathbf{R}^n \mid x_n \geq 0\}.$$

(2) Manifold with boundary. (Similar to definition 4)

(a) M is Hausdorff.

(b) M has a countable basis of open sets.

(c) For any $x \in M$, there exists U open, $x \in U$ such that:

(i) $\varphi: U \rightarrow V \subset \mathbf{R}^n$ is a homeomorphism, or

(ii) $\varphi: U \rightarrow V \subset \mathbf{H}^n$ is a homeomorphism with x such that $\varphi(x) \in \partial\mathbf{H}^n$ referred to as *boundary points*.

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Example 1 (Unit Quaternions and Rotations in \mathbf{R}^3).

$$f(v) = z \wedge z^{-1} \quad v = (v_1, v_2, v_3) = v_1 i + v_2 j + v_3 k$$

where $z = \cos(\alpha/2) + \sin(\alpha/2)\hat{v}$. $\hat{v} = v/\|v\|$. Quaternion multiplication:

$$\begin{array}{ll} ij = k & ji = -k \\ jk = i & kj = -i \\ ki = j & ik = -j. \end{array}$$

Can check that z and $-z$ correspond to the same rotation.

Topologically, unit quaternions $\simeq S^3 = \{x \in \mathbf{R}^4 \mid \|x\| = 1\}$ and rotations $\simeq S^3/\sim$, $z \sim -z$

$$\mathbf{RP}^3 \approx (\mathbf{R}^4 \setminus \{0\})/x \sim \lambda x.$$

for all $\mathbf{R}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\}$ can always find λ such that λx has norm 1. There are precisely 2 such λ which differ by a sign. Therefore, \mathbf{RP}^n can be constructed by identifying antipodal points of S^n in \mathbf{R}^{n+1} .

2 Functions of Several Variables

Taken from Boothby Chapter 1.

Definition 7. Let $f: U \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ where $U \subset \mathbf{R}^n$ is open, $x = (x^1, \dots, x^n)$ (are coordinates).

- (a) $f \in C^1(U)$ (continuously differentiable) iff $\partial f / \partial x^j$ exists and is continuous on U .
- (b) $f \in C^r(U)$ (r -fold continuously differentiable) iff $\partial f / \partial x^j \in C^{r-1}(U)$ for $j = 1, \dots, n$.
- (c) $f \in C^\infty(U)$ (smooth) iff $f \in C^r(U) \forall r \in \mathbf{N}$.
- (d) $f \in C^\omega(U)$ (real analytic) iff f can be expressed as a convergent power series on U .

Theorem 2 (Mean-value theorem). *Suppose U is star-like w.r.t. $a \in U$ (i.e., $\forall x \in U$, the line segment $\overleftrightarrow{ax} \subset U$). Then $\forall x \in U$, $\exists 0 < \theta < 1$ s.t.*

$$g(x) - g(a) = \left[\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial x^i} \right) \Big|_{a+\theta(x-a)} \right] (x^i - a^i).$$

Proof. Consider $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow \overleftrightarrow{ax} \subset U$ given by

$$f(t) = \mathbf{a} + t(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a})$$

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