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1 Let M be a connected smooth manifold. Construct the orientation cover  $M_0$ .

- 1.1 Show that  $M_0$  is a smooth manifold.
- 1.2 Show that  $M_0$  is a 2:1 covering of M.
- 1.3 Show that M is orientable iff  $M_0$  is the union of two disconnected components.
- 2 Let  $\omega$  be a smooth nowhere vanishing 1-form on a smooth connected manifold M.
- 2.1 Show that  $\ker \omega$  is a smooth codimension 1 distribution on M.
- 2.2 Show that  $\ker \omega$  is integrable iff  $d\omega$  vanishes on  $\ker \omega$ .
- 2.3 Find a codimension 1 distribution on  $\mathbb{R}^3$  which is not integrable.
- 3 Show that  $S^1 \times S^n$  is parallelizable, i.e., one can find (n+1) vector fields that are everywhere linearly independent. ( $S^k \subset \mathbb{R}^{k+1}$  is the unit sphere.)
- 4 Let  $\omega = \frac{-ydx + xdy}{(x^2 + y^2)^{\alpha}}$  and consider  $\int_{\gamma} \omega$ , where  $\gamma : S^1 \to \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\}$ .
- 4.1 For which  $\alpha$  is  $\int_{\gamma_0} \omega = \int_{\gamma_1} \omega$ , whenever  $\gamma_0$  and  $\gamma_1$  are smoothly homotopic, i.e., there exists  $F: S^1 \times [0,1] \to \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $\gamma_0(t) = F(t,0)$ ,  $\gamma_1(t) = F(t,1)$ ?
- 4.2 What are the possible values for  $\int_{\gamma} \omega$  when  $\alpha$  is chosen as in part 4.1?
- 5 Show that a closed (compact without boundary) *n*-manifold cannot be immersed in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- 6 Let  $\mathbb{C}^*$  be the set of all nonzero complex numbers with the induced topology from  $\mathbb{C}$ . It is a topological group with respect to the usual multiplication. Let f be a continuous homomorphism from  $\mathbb{C}^*$  to itself.
- **6.1** Find all possible  $f|_{S^1}$ , where  $S^1 = \{z \mid |z| = 1, z \in \mathbb{C}^*\}$ .
- 6.2 Classify such  $f|_{S^1}$  up to homotopy.
- 7 Let  $X_1 = S^1 \vee_{x_1 = x_2} S^2$  be the space obtained from the disjoint union of the circle  $S^1$  and the  $S^2$  by identifying a point  $x_1 \in S^1$  with a point  $x_2 \in S^2$ . Define  $X_2 = S^1 \vee_{x_1 = x_2} S^1$  similarly.
- **7.1** Find  $\pi_1(X_1)$  and  $\pi_1(X_2)$ .
- 7.2 Find their universal coverings.
- 8 Let  $f: S^2 \to T^2$  be a continuous map from 2-sphere to 2-torus  $T^2$ . What is the induced map

$$f_*: H_*(S^2) \to H_*(T^2)$$

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## on the homology groups?

9 Let X be a topological space, and define S(X) to be the quotient space of  $X \times I$  by contracting  $X \times \{0\}$  to a point and  $X \times \{1\}$  to another point. Here I = [0, 1]. What is the relationship between  $H_*(S(X))$  and  $H_*(X)$ ?

- 10 Let K be a finite simplicial complex and  $K^n$  be the subcomplex consisting of all simplices in K of dimension less than or equal to n. Denote the underlying topological spaces of K and  $K^n$  by |K| and  $|K^n|$ .
- 10.1 What is the relative singular homology  $H_*(|K|, |K^{n-1}|)$ ?
- 10.2 Write down the long exact sequence for the triple  $(|K^n|, |K^{n-1}|, |K^{n-2}|)$ , i.e., the long exact sequence relating the singular homology groups  $H_*(|K^n|, |K^{n-1}|)$ ,  $H_*(|K^{n-1}|, |K^{n-2}|)$  and  $H_*(|K^n|, |K^{n-2}|)$ .
- 10.3 Use 10.1 and 10.2 to show that singular homology of |K| is the same as the simplicial homology of |K|. (Hint: Identify the connecting boundary map in 10.2)