

- 1 Let  $M$  be a smooth compact manifold of dimension  $n$ . Show that there is no immersion of  $M$  into  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- 2 The  $n$ -dimensional torus  $T^n$  is defined to be  $\mathbb{R}^n/\mathbb{Z}^n$ , i.e. for any  $x$  and  $y$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $x \sim y$  iff  $x - y \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ . Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be two such functions on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  such that (i)  $\alpha(x) = \alpha(y)$  and  $\beta(x) = \beta(y)$  iff  $x - y \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  and (ii)  $\alpha/\beta$  is an irrational constant. Then

$$v = \alpha(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} + \beta(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2}$$

is a vector field on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  descending to  $T^n$ , where

$$\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^n} \right\}$$

are coordinate vector fields. Find all functions  $f$  on  $T^n$  such that  $vf = 0$ .

- 3 Let  $M$  and  $N$  be smooth compact connected manifolds and  $f : M \rightarrow N$  be a smooth map such that, for any point  $m \in M$ ,  $\text{rank}(df_m) = \dim(N)$ . Show that (i) for any  $n \in N$ ,  $f^{-1}(n)$  is a submanifold of  $M$  and (ii) for any  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  in  $N$ , the submanifolds  $f^{-1}(n_1)$  and  $f^{-1}(n_2)$  of  $M$  are diffeomorphic to each other.
- 4 Let

$$\tilde{\theta} = \frac{1}{2} \{ (x^2 dx^1 - x^1 dx^2) + (x^4 dx^3 - x^3 dx^4) + \dots + (x^{2n} dx^{2n-1} - x^{2n-1} dx^{2n}) \}$$

be a 1-form on  $\mathbb{R}^{2n}$  and  $\theta$  be its restriction to the unit sphere

$$S^{2n-1} = \{ x = (x^1, \dots, x^{2n}) \mid (x^1)^2 + \dots + (x^{2n})^2 = 1 \}.$$

The kernel  $K$  of  $\theta$  is a distribution on  $S^{2n-1}$ :

$$K = \{ v \mid v \in TS^{2n-1}, \theta(v) = 0 \}.$$

Decide whether or not  $K$  is integrable.

- 5 Let  $T^{2m} = \mathbb{R}^{2n}/\mathbb{Z}^{2n}$  be a torus of dimension  $2n$ . Consider the 2-form

$$\omega = dx^1 \wedge dx^{n+1} + dx^2 \wedge dx^{n+2} + \dots + dx^n \wedge dx^{2n}$$

defined on  $R^{2n}$  descending to  $T^{2n}$ .

- 5.1 Show that  $\omega$  is closed by not exact on  $T^{2n}$ .
- 5.2 Let  $i : T^n \rightarrow T^{2n}$  be the subtorus defined by the equation

$$x^{n+1} = x^{n+2} = \dots = x^{2n} = 0.$$

What is  $i^*\omega$ ?

- 5.3 Let  $\Sigma = S^2 \setminus \{\cup_{i=1}^m D_i\}$ , where  $D_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, m$  are  $m$  open discs in  $S^2$  which disjoint closures. Show that

$$\int_{\Sigma} f_1^* \omega = \int_{\Sigma} f_2^* \omega$$

- if  $f_1, f_2 : (\Sigma, \partial\Sigma) \rightarrow (T^{2n}, T^n)$  are homotopic to each other, where  $\partial\Sigma$  is the boundary of  $\Sigma$ .
- 6 Let  $X$  be a path connected space and let  $x_0, x_1 \in X$ . Prove carefully that  $\pi_1(X, x_0)$  is isomorphic to  $\pi_1(X, x_1)$ .
  - 7.1 Define what is meant by a “chain homotopy”  $P$  between chain maps  $f_\#, g_\# : C \rightarrow D$  and prove that chain homotopic chain maps induce the same homomorphism of homology.
  - 7.2 Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be spaces and let  $F : X \times I \rightarrow Y$  be a homotopy between maps  $f$  and  $g$ . Define a chain homotopy  $P$  between the induced chain maps  $f_\#, g_\# : C(X) \rightarrow C(Y)$  of singular chains.
  - 7.3 Verify that  $P$  satisfies the definition of a chain homotopy *only* for the restriction of  $P$  to  $C_1(X)$ .
  - 8 Let  $X$  be a locally contractible space and  $H$  a subgroup of  $\pi_1(X, x_0)$ . Describe carefully how to construct a topological space  $X_H$  and a map  $p : X_H \rightarrow X$  such that  $p_*(\pi_1(X_H, \tilde{x}_0)) = H$  and show that it has the required property of  $p_*$ . (Note: Although  $X_H$  will be a covering space, you don’t have to verify this unless you want to use some general properties of covering spaces.)
  - 9 Prove that the real even-dimensional projective spaces  $\mathbb{R}P^{2n}$  have the fixed point property, that is, for every map  $f : \mathbb{R}P^{2n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}P^{2n}$  there is a solution to  $f(x) = x$ . (Hint: Consider the maps on the covering space  $S^{2n}$ .)
  - 10 Use the Mayer-Vietoris sequence to calculate the homology of  $S^1 \times S^2$ . You may assume the homology calculations for  $S^1$ ,  $S^1 \times S^1$  and  $S^2$ .