

C3.3 Differentiable manifolds - Class 2 / Sheet 2 13 Nov  
Set 3

3(a). Let  $S^n = \{(x_0, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} : \sum_{j=0}^n |x_j|^2 = 1\}$

Explain why  $T_{(x_0, \dots, x_n)} S^n \cong \{(y_0, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} / x_0 y_0 + \dots + x_n y_n = 0\}$

Proof. We first recall some definitions

Def. Let  $X$  be a mfd. A tangent vector at  $x \in X$  is a linear map  $v: C^\infty(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfying  $v(ab) = a(x)v(b) + b(x)v(a)$

(Leibniz rule).  
Set of tangent vectors at a point  $x: T_x X \cong \mathbb{R}^n, n = \dim X$

Def. Given  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  smooth, define the differential

$T_x f: T_x X \rightarrow T_{f(x)} Y$  by  $(T_x f)(v): a \mapsto v(a \circ f)$   
for  $v \in T_x X, a \in C^\infty(Y)$ .

Prop. if  $g: Y \rightarrow Z, T_x(g \circ f) = T_{f(x)} g \circ T_x f: T_x X \rightarrow T_z Z$   
Chain rule

Def. An immersion  $f$  satisfies  $T_x f: T_x X \rightarrow T_{f(x)} Y$  is an injection  $\forall x$   
submanifold  $Z = g(f(x))$   
injection  $\forall x$   
surjection

embedding if it is an immersion &  $f: X \rightarrow f(X)$  is a homeomorphism.  
 $f(X) \subset Y$  the subspace topology.

Recall that  $S^m \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m+1}$  is an embedding, consequently an immersion. We have a map  $f: \mathbb{R}^{m+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  given

$$\text{by } f(x) = f((x_0, \dots, x_n)) = x_0^2 + \dots + x_n^2 - 1.$$

We would like to compute  $T_x f: T_x(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

Let's do this, in full generality. This is the last time you'll see explicit charts, I promise...

Let  $f: X^m \rightarrow Y^m$  be smooth,  $x \in X$ ,  $\varphi: U \rightarrow X$  a chart near a neigh. of  $x$  and  $\psi: V \rightarrow Y$  a chart near a neigh. of  $f(x)$ .

Suppose  $\varphi(\vec{u}) = x$  and  $\psi(\vec{v}) = f(x)$ . We know that

$\left\{ \partial_j^x, j=1, \dots, m \right\}$  are a basis for  $T_x X$ , where

$$\partial_j^x: C^\infty(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ is given by } \partial_j^x(b) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}(b \circ \varphi) \Big|_{\vec{u}}$$

similarly, basis  $\partial_j^y(a) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j}(a \circ \psi) \Big|_{\vec{v}}$  for  $T_{f(x)} Y$ .

We also choose coordinates  $y_1, \dots, y_m$  on  $Y$ ; now compute  $T_x f$ :

by def'n  $(T_x f)(v): a \mapsto v(a \circ f)$ , where  $a \in C^\infty(Y)$ .

Take  $v = \partial_j^x$ ; then  $[(T_x f)(\partial_j^x)](a)$

$$= \partial_j^x(a \circ f) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}(a \circ f \circ \varphi) \Big|_{\vec{u}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}((a \circ \psi) \circ (\psi^{-1} \circ f \circ \varphi)) \Big|_{\vec{u}}$$

Now, write  $f$  in coordinates, more explicitly  $\psi^{-1} \circ f \circ \varphi: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

$$\text{as } (\psi^{-1} \circ f \circ \varphi)(x_1, \dots, x_m) = \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x_1, \dots, x_m) \\ \vdots \\ f_m(x_1, \dots, x_m) \end{pmatrix}.$$

We now use the chain rule  $\mathbb{R}^n \xrightarrow{\psi^{-1} \circ f \circ \psi} \mathbb{R}^m \xrightarrow{a \circ f} \mathbb{R}$  to get

$$= \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (\psi^{-1} \circ f \circ \psi)_i \Big|_{\vec{u}} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial y_i} (a \circ f) \Big|_{\psi(\vec{u})} (\psi^{-1} \circ f \circ \psi)(\vec{u})$$

Hence,  $\psi(\vec{u}) = x$ ,  $f(x) = \psi(\vec{v})$ , so  $(\psi^{-1} \circ f \circ \psi)(\vec{u}) = \vec{v}$  and this is consequently

$$= \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}(\vec{u}) \frac{\partial}{\partial y_i} (a \circ f) \Big|_{\vec{v}} = \left( \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}(\vec{u}) \vec{d}_i \right) a$$

where  $\{ \vec{d}_i \mid i=1, \dots, m \}$  span  $T_{f(x)}Y$  via  $\vec{d}_i a = \frac{\partial}{\partial y_i} (a \circ f) \Big|_{\vec{v}}$ .

Therefore the general formula is

$$T_x f \left( \sum_{j=1}^n c_j \partial_j^x \right) = \sum_{i=1}^m c_j \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}(\vec{u}) \partial_i^Y$$

Coming back to our problem, taking coordinate  $y$  on  $\mathbb{R}$ , (chart is identity)

$$\begin{aligned} (T_x f)(y_0, \dots, y_n) &= T_x f \left( \sum_{j=0}^n y_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \right) = \sum_{j=0}^n y_j \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j} \Big|_x \frac{d}{dr} \\ &= \left( \sum_{j=0}^n 2x_j y_j \right) \frac{d}{dr} = \sum_{j=0}^n 2x_j y_j, \text{ where we identify } T_x \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \cong \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\vec{x} \neq 0$  on  $S^n$ ,  $T_x f$  is surjective.

Now we make use of the functoriality of the pushforward.  $T_0 \mathbb{R} \cong \mathbb{R}$ .

$$\begin{array}{c} S^n \xrightarrow{i} \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{R} \\ (x_0, \dots, x_n) \mapsto (x_0, \dots, x_n) \mapsto x_0^2 + \dots + x_n^2 - 1 \end{array} \text{ satisfies } f \circ i = 0.$$

Consequently there are the induced maps

$$0 \rightarrow T_x S^n \xrightarrow{T_x i} T_x \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \xrightarrow{T_x f} T_x \mathbb{R} \rightarrow 0$$

$$T_x f \circ T_x i = T_x (f \circ i) = T_x 0 = 0$$

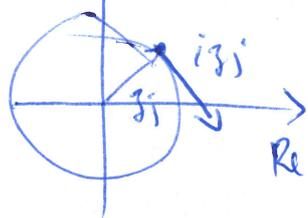
$T_x i$  is injective since  $i$  is an embedding;  $T_x f$  is surjective by what we just showed.  $\rightarrow \dim \ker(T_x f) = n$ ; since this is a chain complex with  $\text{im } T_x i \subseteq \ker T_x f$  and both are of dimension  $n$ , we have that it is a short exact sequence of vector spaces & it is split, so that  $\exists$  canonical isomorphism

$$T_x S^n \cong \ker(T_x f) = \left\{ (y_0, \dots, y_n) \mid \sum_{j=0}^n x_j y_j = 0 \right\}.$$

(b) Show that each odd-dimensional sphere has a nonvanishing vector field.

proof. The hint said  $\mathbb{R}^{2k+2} \cong \mathbb{C}^{k+1}$ ; more specifically we can say  $S^{2k+1} = \left\{ (z_0, \dots, z_k) \in \mathbb{C}^{k+1} \mid |z_0|^2 + \dots + |z_k|^2 = 1 \right\}$ ; projecting onto the  $j$ -th factor gives

$$\text{Im } z_j: |z_j|^2 = 1 - \underbrace{|z_0|^2 - \dots - |z_k|^2}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{is } z_j \text{ term}}}. \text{ This is a circle.}$$



You can pick a nonvanishing v.f. using the identification of (1) by  $(-x_{2j+1}, x_{2j})$

$$\text{i.e. } z_j = x_{2j} + i x_{2j+1} \mapsto i z_j = -x_{2j+1} + i x_{2j}$$

One or more points of these form; each is nonvanishing when  $\mathcal{F}_i \neq 0$  and they are "orthogonal"; we get a vector field  $N$  given at  $x = x_0, \dots, x_{2k+1}$  by

$$(-x_1, x_0, -x_3, x_2, \dots, -x_{2k+1}, x_{2k})$$

Claim. There are no nonvanishing vector fields on  $S^{2n}$ ,  $n > 0$ .

proof. The Poincaré-Hopf theorem says that for a v.f.  $v$ ,

$$\sum_{x_i \text{ zeros of } v} \text{index}_i(v) = \chi(M). \quad \text{The Euler characteristic}$$

$$\text{is defined as } \chi(M) = \sum \dim H_i(M, \mathbb{R}) (-1)^i$$

$$\text{we have } H_i(S^k) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & \text{if } i=0, k \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}; \text{ so}$$

$$\chi(S^{2n}) = 2, \quad \chi(S^{2n+1}) = 0.$$

So, if  $v$  is nonvanishing everywhere, we get  $0 = 2$ , contradiction. □

alternatively,

- rescale  $v$  to unit length

- then it via the exponential map to length  $\pi$

↳ we get an antipodal map homeomorphic to id.

but antipodal map has degree  $(-1)^{n+1}$ , since it is the composition of the  $(n+1)$  plane reflections.

4.  $v, w$  vector fields on  $X^n$ .

$$[v, w] = \sum_{j=1}^n \left( v_i \frac{\partial w_j}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} - w_j \frac{\partial v_i}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \right)$$

Show that this is indep. of coordinates.

Proof. First note that

$$v = \sum_j v_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} = \sum_{a,i} v_i \frac{\partial y^a}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^a}$$

$$w_b = \sum_j w_j \frac{\partial y^b}{\partial x_j}$$

$$v_a = \sum_i v_i \frac{\partial y^a}{\partial x_i}$$

$$= \sum_a v_a \frac{\partial}{\partial y^a} \text{ with}$$

Consequently

$$[v, w]' = \sum_{a,b} \left( v_a \frac{\partial w_b}{\partial y^a} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^b} - w_b \frac{\partial v_a}{\partial y^b} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^a} \right)$$

~~$$\sum_{a,b,i,j} \left( v_i \frac{\partial y^a}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^a} \left( w_j \frac{\partial y^b}{\partial x_j} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial y^b} - w_j \frac{\partial y^b}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^b} \left( v_i \frac{\partial y^a}{\partial x_i} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial y^a} \right)$$~~

$$= \sum_{a,b,i,j} v_i \frac{\partial y^a}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^a} \left( w_j \frac{\partial y^b}{\partial x_j} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial y^b} - w_j \frac{\partial y^b}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^b} \left( v_i \frac{\partial y^a}{\partial x_i} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial y^a}$$

$$= \sum_{b,i,j} v_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left( w_j \frac{\partial y^b}{\partial x_j} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial y^b} - \sum_{a,i,j} w_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left( v_i \frac{\partial y^a}{\partial x_i} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial y^a}$$

$$= \sum_{b,i,j} v_i \left( \frac{\partial w_j}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial y^b}{\partial x_j} + w_j \frac{\partial^2 y^b}{\partial x_j \partial x_i} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial y^b}$$

$$- \sum_{a,i,j} w_j \left( \frac{\partial v_i}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial y^a}{\partial x_i} + v_i \frac{\partial^2 y^a}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial y^a}$$

$$b \mapsto a = \sum_{i,j} v_i \frac{\partial w_j}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial y_a}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y_a} - w_j \frac{\partial v_i}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial y_a}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial y_a}$$

$$= \sum_{i,j} v_i \frac{\partial w_j}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} - w_j \frac{\partial v_i}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} = [v, w] \text{ as required.}$$

$$J_u \psi_t(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 + t, x_2), \quad J_w \psi_t(x_1, x_2) = (x_1, x_2 + t)$$

$$J_w \psi_t(x_1, x_2) = (\cos t x_1 + \sin t x_2, -\sin t x_1 + \cos t x_2)$$

Result

$$v_x = \left. \frac{d}{dt} \psi_t(x) \right|_{t=0} \quad \text{so}$$

$$v = \left. \frac{d}{dt} \psi_t^u \right|_0 = (1, 0); \quad u = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}$$

similarly  $w = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}$  for  $w$ , if  $J_w \psi_t = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin t x_1 + \cos t x_2 \\ -\cos t x_1 - \sin t x_2 \end{pmatrix}$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ -x_1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{so } w = x_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} - x_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}$$

just compute the Lie brackets. intrinsic def'n

$$[X, Y]f = X(Y(f)) - Y(X(f)).$$

$$\text{check } [u, v] = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} [u, w] &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \left( x_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} - x_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} \right) - x_2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_1^2} + x_1 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_2 \partial x_1} \\ &= -x_1 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} + x_1 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} = -v. \end{aligned}$$

similarly for the other one.  $[v, w]$ .

6. A square matrix of size  $n$ ,  $v = \sum_{i,j} A_{ij} x_j \partial x_i$

integrate this into a 1-param. group of diffeomorphisms.

proof. Recall again  $v_x = \frac{d}{dt} \psi_t(x) \Big|_{t=0}$ . Write the  
diffeo.  $\psi_t(x)$  as  $(x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t)) = \psi_t(x)$ .

consequently, componentwise,

$\sum_j A_{ij} x_j = \dot{x}_i(t)$ ; this is well known to have general

solution  $x_i(t) = \sum_j \exp(At)_{ij} c_j$ ; this has

$$x_i(0) = \text{id}_{ij} c_j = c_i$$

$$\Rightarrow \psi_t(x) = \exp(At) x.$$