## Manifolds

- Def. Let  $U$  and  $V$  be open sets in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . A differentiable function,  $h: U \to V$  with a differentiable inverse  $h^{-1}\hskip-2pt:\hskip-2pt V\to U$ , is called a **diffeomorphism** ("differentiable" will mean  $C^\infty$  from here on).
- Def. A subset,  $M\subseteq\mathbb{R}^n$ , is called a **differentiable manifold** (or just a manifold) of dimension k if for each point  $x \in M$  there is an open set  $W\subseteq\mathbb{R}^n$ , an open set  $U\subseteq\mathbb{R}^k$ , and a diffeomorphism:

 $h: W \cap M \rightarrow U$ .

 $h$  is called a **system of coordinates** on  $W \cap M$ .

 $h^{-1}:U\to W\cap M$  is called a **parameterization** of  $W\cap M$ .



The set  $\{h_\alpha, W_\alpha\}$  of coordinate functions and sets  $W_\alpha$  that cover  $M$  is called an **atlas**.

Ex. A point in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a zero dimensional manifold. An open set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is an n-dimensional manifold. Notice that if  $(h_1, W_1)$  and  $(h_2, W_2)$  are two coordinate systems on  $W_1, W_2 \subseteq M$ , where  $h_1: W_1 \to U_1$  and  $h_2: W_2 \to U_2$ , then:

$$
h_{12} = h_2 h_1^{-1}: h_1(W_1 \cap W_2) \to h_2(W_1 \cap W_2)
$$

*is a differentiable map of an open set in* ℝ *into an open set in*   $\mathbb{R}^k$ , and is called a **transition function** between the coordinate systems  $(h_1, W_1)$  and  $(h_2, W_2)$ .



Def. An atlas  $(h_\alpha, W_\alpha)$  is called **smooth** if all of the transition functions are smooth.

Ex. Show that  $S^2 = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 | x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1 \}$  is a (differentiable) manifold.

One way to do this is to define the following 6 parameterizations of the sphere, which cover the entire sphere.

$$
\vec{\Phi}_i: V \to \mathbb{R}^3 \text{ where } V = \{(u, v) \in \mathbb{R}^2 | u^2 + v^2 < 1 \} \n\vec{\Phi}_1(u, v) = (u, v, \sqrt{1 - u^2 - v^2}) \qquad (z > 0) \n\vec{\Phi}_2(u, v) = (u, v, -\sqrt{1 - u^2 - v^2}) \qquad (z < 0) \n\vec{\Phi}_3(u, v) = (u, \sqrt{1 - u^2 - v^2}, v) \qquad (y > 0) \n\vec{\Phi}_4(u, v) = (u, -\sqrt{1 - u^2 - v^2}, u) \qquad (y < 0) \n\vec{\Phi}_5(u, v) = (\sqrt{1 - u^2 - v^2}, u, v) \qquad (x > 0) \n\vec{\Phi}_6(u, v) = (-\sqrt{1 - u^2 - v^2}, u, v) \qquad (x < 0)
$$



To show that these 6 parameterizations make  $S^2$  into a manifold we must show:

- $\overrightarrow{1)}\ \overrightarrow{\Phi}_i$  is a diffeomorphism, for  $i=1,...,6$
- 2)  $\bigcup_{i=1}^6 \overrightarrow{\Phi}_i$ 6  $_{i=1}^{6} \vec{\Phi}_i (V) \supseteq S^2$ .

To show that  $\overrightarrow{\Phi}_{i}$  is a diffeomorphism we must show:

- a.  $\overrightarrow{\Phi}_{i}$  is one to one
- **b**.  $\overrightarrow{\Phi}_i$  is onto its image
- c.  $\overrightarrow{\Phi}_i$  and  $\overrightarrow{\Phi}_i$  $i^{-1}$  are differentiable.

Let's show that 
$$
\overrightarrow{\Phi}_1
$$
 is a diffeomorphism.  
\na.  $\overrightarrow{\Phi}_1(u, v) = \overrightarrow{\Phi}_1(u', v')$   
\n $(u, v, \sqrt{1 - u^2 - v^2}) = (u', v', \sqrt{1 - u'^2 - v'^2})$   
\nSo  $(u, v) = (u', v')$  and  $\overrightarrow{\Phi}_1$  is one to on.

- b. By definition  $\overrightarrow{\Phi}_{1}$  maps  $V$  onto  $\overrightarrow{\Phi}_{1}(V)$ .
- c. Each  $\overrightarrow{\Phi}_i$  is differentiable on  $V$  because all of the partial derivatives of all order exist (since  $u^2+v^2\neq 1$ ). The inverse functions of the  $\overrightarrow{\Phi}_i$ s are just projections. For example:

$$
(\vec{\Phi}_1)^{-1} (u, v, \sqrt{1 - u^2 - v^2}) = (u, v).
$$

All partial derivatives of all orders exist so  $\big(\overrightarrow{\Phi}_{1}\big)$ is differentiable. The same holds for the other  $\big(\overrightarrow{\Phi}_i\big)$ −1 .

 $\bigcup_{i=1}^6 \overrightarrow{\Phi}_i$ 6  $_{i=1}^{6}$   $\overrightarrow{\Phi}_{i}$   $(V) \supseteq S^{2}$  because every point of  $S^{2}$  has at least one non-zero coordinate.

What do the transition functions look like? First, notice that not all  $\overrightarrow{\Phi}_i(V)$ ,  $\overrightarrow{\Phi}_j(V)$  intersect (e.g.  $\overrightarrow{\Phi}_1(V)$  is the upper hemisphere and  $\overrightarrow{\Phi}_2(V)$  is the lower hemisphere). As an example, let's look at  $\overrightarrow{\Phi}_{1}(V) \cap \overrightarrow{\Phi}_{3}(V).$ 

$$
\vec{\Phi}_1(V) = \text{points on } S^2 \text{ with } z > 0
$$
\n
$$
\vec{\Phi}_3(V) = \text{points on } S^2 \text{ with } y > 0
$$
\n
$$
\vec{\Phi}_1(V) \cap \vec{\Phi}_3(V) = \text{points on } S^2 \text{ with } y > 0 \text{ and } z > 0.
$$
\n
$$
\vec{\Phi}_3(u, v) = (u, \sqrt{1 - u^2 - v^2}, v)
$$
\n
$$
\vec{\Phi}_3^{-1}(u, \sqrt{1 - u^2 - v^2}, v) = (u, v).
$$
\nSo 
$$
(\vec{\Phi}_3)^{-1} \vec{\Phi}_1(u, v) = \vec{\Phi}_3^{-1}(u, v, \sqrt{1 - u^2 - v^2}) = (u, \sqrt{1 - u^2 - v^2}).
$$

Other transition functions are also differentiable, thus  $\{\overrightarrow{\Phi}_{\!i}$  $^{-1}_i$ ,  $\overrightarrow{\Phi}_{i}(V) \big\}$  for  $i=1,...,6$  is a smooth atlas for  $S^2$ .

Def.  $H^k = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^k \big| x_k \geq 0 \}$ , is called the **half-space**.

Ex.  $H^2$  is the upper half plane including the x-axis.  $H^3 = \{ (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 | z \geq 0 \}.$ 

Def.  $M \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is a *k***-dimensional manifold with boundary** if each  $x \in M$  has a neighborhood  $W \cap M$  that is diffeomorphic to an open set  $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^k$  or diffeormorphic to  $U\cap H^k$ , where  $U$  is an open set in  $\mathbb{R}^k.$  The set of points in  $M$ where  $W \cap M$  is diffeomorphic to  $U \cap H^k$  are called **boundary points** of  $M.$ 



Ex. Show that the closed unit disk,  $D = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$ , is a manifold with boundary.

We need to show that for each point  $(x, y) \in D$ , there is a open set  $W \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ containing  $(x, y)$  such that  $W \cap D$  is diffeomorphic to an open set  $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  or diffeomorphic to  $U\cap H^2$ , where  $U$  is an open set in  $\mathbb{R}^2.$ 



Notice for points  $(x, y) \in D$  such that  $x^2 + y^2 < 1$  this is easy to do.



For these points let:  $U_1 = W_1 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^2 + y^2 < 1\}$ , and let

$$
h_1^{-1}: U_1 \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \to W_1 \cap D = W_1 \text{ by}
$$

$$
h_1^{-1}(x, y) = (x, y)
$$

 $h_1^{-1}$  is the identity function and is clearly one-one, onto, and is its own inverse. Also,  $h_1^{-1}$  and  $h_1$  are differentiable. Thus  $h_1^{-1}$  is a diffeomorphism.

To cover points on the boundary of  $D$  we need to do more work. We'll need 2 more sets to do this. We need to find open sets  $U$  and  $W$  such that  $U \cap H^2$  is diffeomorphic to  $W \cap D.$ 

Let 
$$
U_2 = \{(x, y) | 0 < x < 2\pi, -1 < y < 1\}
$$
  
\n $W_2 = \mathbb{R}^2 - \{(x, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^2 | x \ge 0\}.$ 

Then  $U_2 \cap H^2 = \{(x, y) | 0 < x < 2\pi, 0 \le y < 1\}.$  $W_2 \cap D = D - \{(x, 0) | 0 \le x \le 1\}.$ 



Now define:  $_2^{-1}: U_2 \cap H^2 \to W_2 \cap D$  by  $h_2^{-1}(x, y) = ((1 - y) \cos x, (1 - y) \sin x).$ 

Notice that for each fixed  $y,\,\, 0\leq y < 1,\,\,h_2^{-1}$  maps the open interval  $(x,y),$  $0 < x < 2\pi$ , onto a circle of radius  $1 - y$ , centered at  $(0,0)$  minus a point on the positive  $x$ -axis.

Now we need to show that  $h_2^{-1}$  is a diffeomorphism.

Claim:  $h_2^{-1}$  is one to one.

Suppose 
$$
h_2^{-1}(x_1, y_1) = h_2^{-1}(x_2, y_2)
$$
,  $0 < x_1, x_2 < 2\pi$ ,  $0 \le y_1, y_2 < 1$   
\nThen:  
\n
$$
(1 - y_1) \cos x_1 = (1 - y_2) \cos x_2
$$
\n
$$
(1 - y_1) \sin x_1 = (1 - y_2) \sin x_2
$$

Now square both equations and add them:

$$
(1 - y1)2 cos2 x1 + (1 - y1)2 sin2 x1 = (1 - y2)2 cos2 x2 + (1 - y2)2 sin2 x2.
$$

Thus we have:

So:  
\n
$$
(1 - y_1)^2 = (1 - y_2)^2; \qquad 0 \le y_1, y_2 < 1
$$
\n
$$
y_1 = y_2.
$$

Since  $y_1 = y_2$ , and  $1 - y_1 \neq 0$ , we can divide the original 2 equations by  $1 - y_1$ .

$$
cos x_1 = cos x_2 \quad \text{so } x_2 = x_1 \text{ or } x_2 = 2\pi - x_1
$$
  
\n
$$
sin x_1 = sin x_2 \quad \text{so } x_2 = x_1 \text{ or } x_2 = \pi - x_1.
$$

Hence  $x_1 = x_2$ , and  $h_2^{-1}$  is one to one.

To show that  $h_2^{-1}$  is onto  $W_2 \cap D$  we'll show that given any point in  $W_2 \cap D$ we can find a point in  $U_2 \cap H^2$  that maps onto it. That is, we will find the inverse function,  $h_2$ .

To do this we need to solve  $x = x(u, v)$ ,  $y = y(u, v)$  in:  $u = (1 - y)cos x$  $v = (1 - y)\sin x$ .

Squaring the 2 equations and adding we get:

$$
u^{2} + v^{2} = (1 - y)^{2} \cos^{2} x + (1 - y)^{2} \sin^{2} x = (1 - y)^{2}.
$$

Since  $1 - y > 0$ , we only get one square root above:  $1 - y = \sqrt{u^2 + v^2}$ or  $y = 1 - \sqrt{u^2 + v^2}$ .

Notice that all of the partial derivatives of y of all orders exist since  $(u, v) \neq (0, 0)$ .

Since 
$$
1 - y > 0
$$
, we have  $1 - y \neq 0$ , so we can divide the 2 original equations  
\n
$$
\frac{v}{u} = \tan x.
$$

For the set  $U_2 \cap H^2$ ,  $\ 0 < x < 2\pi$ , so we need to define the inverse of the above equation carefully:

$$
x = \tan^{-1} \frac{v}{u}
$$
 if  $(u, v)$  is in the 1<sup>st</sup> quadrant  
\n
$$
= \frac{\pi}{2}
$$
 if  $(u, v) = (0, 1)$   
\n
$$
= \frac{3\pi}{2}
$$
 if  $(u, v)$  is in the 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> quadrant  
\n
$$
= \frac{3\pi}{2}
$$
 if  $(u, v) = (0, -1)$   
\n
$$
= 2\pi + \tan^{-1} \frac{v}{u}
$$
 if  $(u, v)$  is in the 4<sup>th</sup> quadrant.

It's not hard to show that all partial derivatives of all orders exist for  $x$  since  $0 < x < 2\pi$ .

Thus if we say  $x(u, v)$  is the complicated formula written above and  $y(u, v) = 1 - \sqrt{u^2 + v^2}$ , then  $h_2(u, v) = (x(u, v), y(u, v))$  is the differentiable inverse of  $h_2^{-1}(x,y).$ 

 $h_2^{-1}$  is clearly differentiable, thus,  $h_2^{-1}$  is a diffeomorphism.

Finally, let 
$$
U_3 = \{(x, y) | -\pi < x < \pi, -1 < y < 1\}
$$
  
\n $W_3 = \mathbb{R}^2 - \{(x, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^2 | x \le 0\}.$ 

Then 
$$
U_3 \cap H^2 = \{(x, y) | -\pi < x < \pi, 0 \le y < 1\}
$$
.  
\n $W_3 \cap D = D - \{(x, 0) | -1 \le x \le 0\}$ .



Now define: 
$$
h_3^{-1}: U_3 \cap H^2 \to W_3 \cap D
$$
 by  
 $h_3^{-1}(x, y) = ((1 - y)cosx, (1 - y)sinx).$ 

A similar argument to the one used to show  $h_2^{-1}$  is a diffeomorphism shows that  $h_3^{-1}$  is a diffeomorpism.

Now note that:  $h_2^{-1}(U_2) \cup h_3^{-1}(U_3) = D - (0,0)$ , but  $(0,0) \in h_1^{-1}(U_1)$ .

Thus we have:

 $\bigcup_{i=1}^{3} h_i(U_i) \supseteq D$  $\{a_{i=1}^3 h_i(U_i) \supseteq D$ , and  $D$  is a differentiable manifold with boundary. Def. Let  $M$  be a differentiable manifold of dimension  $k$ . We say  $M$  is orientable if there is an atlas for  $M$ ,  $\{h_\alpha, W_\alpha\}$ , such that all of the transition functions:  $h_{\beta}\circ h_{\alpha}^{-1}\!$  :  $h_{\alpha}\big(W_{\alpha}\cap W_{\beta}\big)\to h_{\beta}\big(W_{\alpha}\cap W_{\beta}\big)\;$  have positive Jacobians (i.e.  $\det \left( \left( h_\beta \circ h_\alpha^{-1} \right)' \right) > 0$ ).



Ex. Consider the following atlas on  $S^2$ 

$$
\pi_1: S^2 - (0, 0, 1) \to \mathbb{R}^2
$$

$$
\pi_1(x, y, z) = \left(\frac{x}{1 - z}, \frac{y}{1 - z}\right)
$$

$$
\pi_2: S^2 - (0, 0, -1) \to \mathbb{R}^2
$$

$$
\pi_2(x, y, z) = \left(\frac{x}{1 + z}, -\frac{y}{1 + z}\right).
$$

From a homework problem you will see that:

$$
\pi_1^{-1}(u,v) = \left(\frac{2u}{u^2+v^2+1}, \frac{2v}{u^2+v^2+1}, \frac{u^2+v^2-1}{u^2+v^2+1}\right).
$$

Thus we have:

$$
(\pi_2 \circ \pi_1^{-1})(u,v) = \pi_2 \left( \frac{2u}{u^2 + v^2 + 1}, \frac{2v}{u^2 + v^2 + 1}, \frac{u^2 + v^2 - 1}{u^2 + v^2 + 1} \right) = \left( \frac{u}{u^2 + v^2}, \frac{-v}{u^2 + v^2} \right)
$$

$$
(\pi_2 \circ \pi_1^{-1})'(u, v) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{u^2 - v^2}{(u^2 + v^2)^2} & \frac{-2uv}{(u^2 + v^2)^2} \\ \frac{2uv}{(u^2 + v^2)^2} & \frac{u^2 - v^2}{(u^2 + v^2)^2} \end{pmatrix}
$$

$$
\det((\pi_2 \circ \pi_1^{-1})') = \frac{(u^2 - v^2)^2 + 4u^2v^2}{(u^2 + v^2)^4} = \frac{1}{(u^2 + v^2)^2} > 0
$$

and finite since  $\pi_1^{-1}(0,0)=(0,0,-1)$ , which is not part of the domain of  $\pi_2.$  Thus we can say  $S^2$  is orientable.

Note: the atlas with  $\pi_1(x, y, z) = \left(\frac{x}{1-z}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  $\frac{x}{1-z}$ ,  $\frac{y}{1-z}$  $\frac{y}{1-z}$ ) and  $\pi_2(x, y, z) = \left(\frac{x}{1 + z}\right)$  $\frac{x}{1+z}, \frac{y}{1+z}$  $\left(\frac{y}{1+z}\right)$ ; the standard stereographic projection does not have:

$$
\det((\pi_2 \circ \pi_1^{-1})') > 0.
$$