## Manifolds

- Def. Let U and V be open sets in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . A differentiable function,  $h: U \to V$  with a differentiable inverse  $h^{-1}: V \to U$ , 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:

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

*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  $h_1: W_1 \rightarrow U_1$  and  $h_2: W_2 \rightarrow U_2$ , then:

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

is a differentiable map of an open set in  $\mathbb{R}^k$  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.

$$\begin{split} \overrightarrow{\Phi}_{i} : V \to \mathbb{R}^{3} \text{ where } V &= \{(u, v) \in \mathbb{R}^{2} | u^{2} + v^{2} < 1\} \\ \overrightarrow{\Phi}_{1}(u, v) &= (u, v, \sqrt{1 - u^{2} - v^{2}}) & (z > 0) \\ \overrightarrow{\Phi}_{2}(u, v) &= (u, v, -\sqrt{1 - u^{2} - v^{2}}) & (z < 0) \\ \overrightarrow{\Phi}_{3}(u, v) &= (u, \sqrt{1 - u^{2} - v^{2}}, v) & (y > 0) \\ \overrightarrow{\Phi}_{4}(u, v) &= (u, -\sqrt{1 - u^{2} - v^{2}}, v) & (y < 0) \\ \overrightarrow{\Phi}_{5}(u, v) &= (\sqrt{1 - u^{2} - v^{2}}, u, v) & (x > 0) \\ \overrightarrow{\Phi}_{6}(u, v) &= (-\sqrt{1 - u^{2} - v^{2}}, u, v) & (x < 0) \end{split}$$



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

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

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  $\overrightarrow{\Phi}_i^{-1}$  are differentiable.

Let's show that 
$$\Phi_1$$
 is a diffeomorphism.  
a.  $\overrightarrow{\Phi}_1(u, v) = \overrightarrow{\Phi}_1(u', v')$   
 $(u, v, \sqrt{1 - u^2 - v^2}) = (u', v', \sqrt{1 - {u'}^2 - {v'}^2})$   
So  $(u, v) = (u', v')$  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:

$$\left(\vec{\Phi}_{1}\right)^{-1}\left(u,v,\sqrt{1-u^{2}-v^{2}}\right) = (u,v)$$

All partial derivatives of all orders exist so  $(\vec{\Phi}_1)^{-1}$  is differentiable. The same holds for the other  $(\vec{\Phi}_i)^{-1}$ .

 $\bigcup_{i=1}^{6} \overrightarrow{\Phi}_{i}(V) \supseteq S^{2}$  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  $\vec{\Phi}_i(V), \vec{\Phi}_j(V)$  intersect (e.g.  $\vec{\Phi}_1(V)$  is the upper hemisphere and  $\vec{\Phi}_2(V)$  is the lower hemisphere). As an example, let's look at  $\vec{\Phi}_1(V) \cap \vec{\Phi}_3(V)$ .

$$\vec{\Phi}_1(V) = \text{points on } S^2 \text{ with } z > 0$$
  

$$\vec{\Phi}_3(V) = \text{points on } S^2 \text{ with } y > 0$$
  

$$\vec{\Phi}_1(V) \cap \vec{\Phi}_3(V) = \text{points on } S^2 \text{ with } y > 0 \text{ and } z > 0.$$
  

$$\vec{\Phi}_3(u,v) = (u,\sqrt{1-u^2-v^2},v)$$
  

$$\vec{\Phi}_3^{-1}(u,\sqrt{1-u^2-v^2},v) = (u,v).$$
  
So  $(\vec{\Phi}_3)^{-1}\vec{\Phi}_1(u,v) = \vec{\Phi}_3^{-1}(u,v,\sqrt{1-u^2-v^2}) = (u,\sqrt{1-u^2-v^2}).$ 

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

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

Ex.  $H^2$  is the upper half plane including the *x*-axis.  $H^3 = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 | z \ge 0\}.$  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,  $D = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 | x^2 + y^2 \le 1\}$ , 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:  $U_1=W_1=\{(x,y)\in \mathbb{R}^2 | \ x^2+y^2<1\}, \ \text{ and let}$ 

$$h_1^{-1}: U_1 \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \to W_1 \cap D = W_1 \quad \text{by} \\ h_1^{-1}(x, y) = (x, y)$$

 $h_1^{-1}$  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 
$$U_2 = \{(x, y) | 0 < x < 2\pi, -1 < y < 1\}$$
  
 $W_2 = \mathbb{R}^2 - \{(x, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^2 | x \ge 0\}.$ 

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:  $h_2^{-1}: U_2 \cap H^2 \to W_2 \cap D$  by  $h_2^{-1}(x, y) = ((1 - y)cosx, (1 - y)sinx).$ 

Notice that for each fixed y,  $0 \le y < 1$ ,  $h_2^{-1}$  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 
$$h_2^{-1}(x_1, y_1) = h_2^{-1}(x_2, y_2), \ 0 < x_1, x_2 < 2\pi, \ 0 \le y_1, y_2 < 1$$
  
Then:  
 $(1 - y_1)cosx_1 = (1 - y_2)cosx_2$   
 $(1 - y_1)sinx_1 = (1 - y_2)sinx_2$ 

Now square both equations and add them:

$$(1 - y_1)^2 \cos^2 x_1 + (1 - y_1)^2 \sin^2 x_1 = (1 - y_2)^2 \cos^2 x_2 + (1 - y_2)^2 \sin^2 x_2$$

Thus we have:

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

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

$$cosx_1 = cosx_2$$
 so  $x_2 = x_1$  or  $x_2 = 2\pi - x_1$   
 $sinx_1 = sinx_2$  so  $x_2 = x_1$  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)cosxv = (1 - y)sinx. 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  $\frac{v}{u} = tanx$ .

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

$$x = \tan^{-1} \frac{v}{u}$$
  

$$= \frac{\pi}{2}$$
  

$$= \pi + \tan^{-1} \frac{v}{u}$$
  

$$= \frac{3\pi}{2}$$
  

$$= 2\pi + \tan^{-1} \frac{v}{u}$$
  
if  $(u, v)$  is in the 1<sup>st</sup> quadrant  
if  $(u, v) = (0, 1)$   
if  $(u, v)$  is in the 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> quadrant  
if  $(u, v) = (0, -1)$   
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 
$$U_3 = \{(x, y) | -\pi < x < \pi, -1 < y < 1\}$$
  
 $W_3 = \mathbb{R}^2 - \{(x, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^2 | x \le 0\}.$ 

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



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 diffeomorphism.

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:

 $\bigcup_{i=1}^{3} h_i(U_i) \supseteq D$ , 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:  $h_{\beta} \circ h_{\alpha}^{-1}$ :  $h_{\alpha}(W_{\alpha} \cap W_{\beta}) \to h_{\beta}(W_{\alpha} \cap W_{\beta})$  have positive Jacobians (i.e. det  $((h_{\beta} \circ h_{\alpha}^{-1})') > 0)$ .



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

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