

Differential Geometry II
Exercise Sheet no. 2

Exercise 1

Let Γ be a discrete group acting smoothly on a differentiable manifold M .

- (a) Show that the action is proper if and only if both of the following conditions are satisfied:
- (i) Each point $p \in M$ has a neighborhood U such that $(\gamma \cdot U) \cap U = \emptyset$, for all but finitely many $\gamma \in \Gamma$.
 - (ii) If $p, q \in M$ are not in the same Γ -orbit, there exist neighborhoods U of p and V of q such that $(\gamma \cdot U) \cap V = \emptyset$, for all $\gamma \in \Gamma$.
- (b) If Γ acts moreover freely, then show that the action is proper if and only if for each $p, q \in M$ there exist neighborhoods U of p and V of q , such that for all $\gamma \in \Gamma$ with $q \neq \gamma \cdot p$ we have $(\gamma \cdot U) \cap V = \emptyset$.

Exercise 2

Let X be a left-invariant vector field on a Lie group G with unit element e .

- i) Show that there exists a curve $\gamma : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow G$ satisfying $\gamma(0) = e$ and $\dot{\gamma}(t) = X_{\gamma(t)}$, for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$.
- ii) Show that $\gamma(t+s) = \gamma(t) \cdot \gamma(s)$ and $\gamma(-t) = \gamma(t)^{-1}$, for all $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$.

Exercise 3

Let G and H be two Lie groups and e the unit element of G . If $f : G \rightarrow H$ is a smooth group homomorphism, then show that:

- i) $d_e f : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}$ is surjective if and only if f is a submersion.
- ii) $d_e f : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}$ is bijective if and only if f is locally diffeomorphic.
- iii) If H is connected and $d_e f : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}$ is surjective, then f is surjective. (Hint: Show that $f(G)$ is open and closed. In order to prove that the image is closed one may consider a sequence converging to any point in the closure of the image and translate it by left multiplication to the unit element of H .)

Exercise 4

For $\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$, consider the following action of \mathbb{R} on $M := S^1 \times S^1$:

$$\mathbb{R} \times M \rightarrow M, \quad (t, p) \mapsto f_t(p), \quad \text{where} \quad f_t(x, y) := (e^{it}x, e^{i\alpha t}y).$$

- (a) Show that each orbit of this action is dense in M and is neither closed nor a submanifold.
- (b) Is the map $\Theta : \mathbb{R} \times M \rightarrow M \times M, (t, p) \mapsto (f_t(p), p)$ closed? Is the action proper?
- (c) Is $\mathbb{R} \backslash M$ (equipped with the quotient topology) a Hausdorff space?

*Hand in the solutions on **Monday, April 29, 2013** before the lecture.*