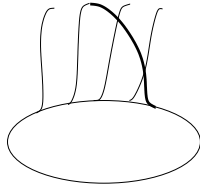


$\chi 1$ : Algebraic Topology

- (1) Consider the knot  $K \subset S^3$  depicted below. It is realized as a simple closed curve on a *standardly embedded* torus  $T \subset S^3$ , meaning that  $S^3 \setminus T$  consists of two open solid tori.



- (a) Choose a basepoint  $x_0 \in S^3 \setminus K$  and determine a presentation of  $\pi_1(S^3 \setminus K; x_0)$ .

## x2: Differential Topology

- (1) If  $M$  is a smooth manifold, show that the tangent bundle  $TM$  and the cotangent bundle  $T^*M$  are isomorphic. (*Just as with vector spaces, there is no canonical isomorphism. You don't have to prove this, though. Also, feel free to assume anything that you like from linear algebra.*)
- (2) A *Lie homomorphism* is a smooth homomorphism between Lie groups.
- (a) Show that any Lie homomorphism  $\phi : G \rightarrow H$  has constant rank: that is, there exists some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $\text{rank}(d\phi_g) = k$  for all  $g \in G$ .
- (b) Suppose that  $G, H$  are connected  $n$ -dimensional Lie groups and  $\phi : G \rightarrow H$  is a Lie homomorphism with discrete kernel. Show that  $\phi$  is a surjective diffeomorphism. (*In fact,  $\phi$  is a covering map, but the proof of this is homework-level rather than exam-level.*)
- (3) Write  $\mathbb{R}^n = \mathbb{R}^{n-k} \times \mathbb{R}^k$  and let  $G$  be the pseudogroup generated by all diffeomorphisms between open subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that take horizontal factors to horizontal factors: that is,

$$\phi(x; y) = (\phi_1(x; y); \phi_2(y));$$

for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^{n-k}$  and  $y \in \mathbb{R}^k$ . Show that  $G$  consists of all diffeomorphisms between open subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  whose Jacobian matrix at every point is an  $n \times n$  matrix such that the lower left  $(n-k) \times k$  block is 0. (*Showing that the set of diffeomorphisms satisfying the Jacobian property is a pseudo-group is almost immediate, although you should at least say what the properties are. The real point here is to explain why it is the minimal pseudo-group containing all such  $\phi$ .*)

A  $G$ -structure on an  $n$ -manifold  $M$  is called a *codimension  $k$  foliation* of  $M$ . Since at least locally, the transition maps preserve the decomposition of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  into horizontal slices, these slices piece together to give a decomposition of  $M$  into submanifolds, called the *leaves* of the foliation.

- (4) Show that the antipodal map  $A : S^n \rightarrow S^n$ ,  $A(x) = -x$  is homotopic to the identity if and only if  $n$  is odd. (*Feel free to use Lefschetz theory if you would like.*)
- (5) Show that a closed 1-form  $\omega$  on a manifold  $M$  is exact if and only if  $\int_{S^1} f^* \omega = 0$  for every smooth map  $f : S^1 \rightarrow M$ . (*Feel free to use Stokes' theorem, but you shouldn't reference deRham cohomology or anything that implicitly relies on this result.*)