

- (1) Construct a smooth manifold structure on the Grassmannian $G_n(\mathbb{R}^k)$, the set of all n -dimensional subspaces of \mathbb{R}^k . Construct the canonical n -dimensional vector bundle over it (as a smooth vector bundle, not just the fiber over each point).
- (2) Let M be a compact n -dimensional manifold and $f: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ a smooth map. Prove that f is singular (that is, df has rank less than n) somewhere.
- (3) A Riemannian structure on a smooth manifold is a choice of a positive definite inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_p$ on each tangent space $T_p M$, which is smooth in the sense that whenever X and Y are two smooth vector bundles, $\langle X, Y \rangle$ is smooth. Prove that there is a Riemannian structure on every smooth manifold. (Hint: Use partition of unity.)
- (4) Prove that there are exactly two isomorphism classes of line bundles (one-dimensional vector bundles) over S^1 . Which of them is the tangent bundle $T_* S^1$?
- (5) If $A \subset M$ is a closed submanifold and $U \supset A$ is any open neighborhood, and $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a smooth function, prove that there is a smooth function $g: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with $g|_A = f$ and $g = 0$ outside U .
- (6) Consider the maximal atlas on \mathbb{R} containing the function $t \mapsto t^3$. Prove that it produces a smooth structure on \mathbb{R} that is distinct but diffeomorphic to the standard smooth structure on \mathbb{R} (the standard smooth structure comes from the maximal atlas containing the function $t \mapsto t$).