

**Exercise 1.** Let  $\Gamma$  be a group, and give it the discrete topology. Suppose  $\Gamma$  acts continuously on the topological  $n$ -manifold  $M$ , meaning that the action map

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma \times M &\xrightarrow{\rho} M \\ (h, x) &\longmapsto h \cdot x\end{aligned}$$

is continuous. Suppose also that the action is *free*, i.e. the stabilizer of each point is trivial. Finally, suppose the action is *properly discontinuous*, meaning that each  $x \in M$  has a neighbourhood  $U$  such that  $h \cdot U$  is disjoint from  $U$  for all nontrivial  $h \in \Gamma$ , that is, for all  $h \neq 1$ .

- i) Show that the quotient map  $\pi : M \rightarrow M/\Gamma$  is a local homeomorphism, where  $M/\Gamma$  is given the quotient topology. Conclude that  $M/\Gamma$  is locally homeomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- ii) Show that  $\pi$  is an open map.
- iii) Give an example where  $M/\Gamma$  is not Hausdorff.

**Exercise 2.** Let  $(\Gamma, M, \rho)$  be as in Exercise 1, and let  $f : M \rightarrow N$  be a continuous map such that

$$f(h \cdot x) = f(x)$$

for all  $x \in M$  and  $h \in \Gamma$ . Show that there is a unique map  $\bar{f} : M/\Gamma \rightarrow N$  such that  $\bar{f}(\pi(x)) = f(x)$  for all  $x \in M$ , and show that it is continuous.

**Exercise 3.** Let  $(\Gamma, M, \rho)$  be as in Exercise 1. Prove that  $M/\Gamma$  is Hausdorff if and only if the image of the map

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma \times M &\longrightarrow M \times M \\ (g, x) &\longmapsto (gx, x)\end{aligned}$$

is closed in  $M \times M$ .

**Exercise 4.** Let the group of order two,  $C_2 = \{1, -1\}$ , act on  $S^n$  via  $x \mapsto -x$ . Show that  $S^n/C_2$  is homeomorphic to the projective space  $\mathbb{R}P^n$ , as it was defined in class.

**Exercise 5.** Prove that  $\mathbb{C}P^1$  is homeomorphic to  $S^2$ . Try proving this using the given coordinate charts.

**Exercise 6.** Consider the 3-sphere  $S^3 \subset \mathbb{R}^4$ . Using the isomorphism  $\mathbb{R}^4 \cong \mathbb{C}^2$ , we obtain the inclusion  $\iota : S^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \{0\}$ . Composing with the projection map  $\pi : \mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^1$ , we obtain

$$p = \pi \circ \iota : S^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^1,$$

known as the Hopf fibration. Using the coordinate charts given in the notes for  $S^3$  and  $\mathbb{C}P^1$ , compute  $p$  in coordinates (one chart on each of the domain and codomain will suffice).