

Spring 2024 Math 584 - Singularity Theory
Homework 1 - Manifolds
Due: 27/2/2024

GP: Guillemin & Pollack, Differential Topology

M1: Milnor, Topology from the Differentiable Viewpoint

1. Show that the two definitions for *a manifold in \mathbb{R}^n* are equivalent.

More precisely def 1 says that each point of the manifold X has a neighborhood in X that can be expressed as some level set of a function. def 2 is as in GP, page 3. Proving def 1 \implies def 2 is sort of straightforward. For def 2 \implies def 1 you should solve essentially GP, p19, ex9.

2. Show that the orthogonal group $O(n)$ is a manifold in \mathbb{R}^{n^2} . (Do this at least for $n = 2$ and $n = 3$).
3. Show that the sphere in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} with center 0 and radius K is diffeomorphic (as defined in GP, p3 or in M1, p1) to the unit sphere S^n .