

Spring, 2015

MATH 3510(H)
PROBLEM SET #11

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Problems to work but not hand in:

§8.6: #1, 7.

Problems to turn in:

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§8.6: #2 (3), 8 (3), 9 (3), 10 (3).

§8.7: #5 (3), 6* (3), 7 (3).

A. (3) Suppose $\mathbf{f}: S^n \rightarrow S^n$ has no fixed point. Show that \mathbf{f} is homotopic to the antipodal map $\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}) = -\mathbf{x}$.[†] Conclude that if $\omega \in \mathcal{A}^n(S^n)$ is the usual volume form, then $\int_{S^n} \mathbf{f}^*\omega = (-1)^{n+1} \int_{S^n} \omega$.

B. (3) Suppose $\mathbf{f}: S^n \rightarrow S^n$ is homotopic to a constant map. Prove that there are $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in S^n$ with $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}$ and $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y}) = -\mathbf{y}$. (Hint: Proceed by contrapositive, being careful with your negation of the conclusion; apply **A** and an obvious cousin.)

Challenge problems (Turn in separately):

§8.6: #6[‡] (4), 11 (3), 13 (4), 14 (3).

§8.7: #8 (3), 9 (4), 12 (4), 14 (2), 15 (4), 16 (6).

*Hint: Create a $(k-1)$ -form $\omega \in \mathcal{A}^{k-1}(\partial M)$ by using the proof of Theorem 5.1 to find a *single* function ρ on a *single* coordinate chart on ∂M with nonzero integral.

[†]Hint: What do you know about the line segment joining $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})$ and $-\mathbf{x}$?

[‡]The formula ([†]) appears on p. 396.