DIFFERENTIAL TOPOLOGY PROBLEM SHEET 13

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Problem 1 (10, proper maps). Let $f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be a polynomial function. Give a sufficient and necessary condition on the coefficients of f for f to be a proper map. In the case of properness compute the degree of f as a smooth map.

Problem 2 (10, equivalent characterization of properness). Let $f : M \to N$ be a continuous map between smooth manifolds. Then are equivalent:

- (i) f is proper.
- (ii) f is closed, i.e. sends closed sets to closed sets, and for every point $y \in \mathbb{N}$ the fiber $f^{-1}(y)$ is compact.
- (iii) For all smooth manifolds Z the map

$$f_{\mathbf{Z}} : \mathbf{M} \times \mathbf{Z} \to \mathbf{N} \times \mathbf{Z}, \ f(x, z) := (f(x), z)$$

is a closed map.

Problem 3 (10, bump forms). Give a proof for Lemma 5.7 for non-orientable manifolds.

Problem 4 (10, closed orientable 4-manifolds). For which non-negative integers n there is connected, closed, orientable 4-manifold with first de Rham cohomology of dimension n?

Date: Please hand in before the lecture by **19th of May 2023**. For all exercises the results need to be proven using results from this lecture and the lectures before, provided you give a reference.