18.965 Fall 2004 Homework 5

Due Monday 11/8/04

Exercise 1. Let M be smooth manifold embedded in \mathbb{R}^N . Show that for a residual subset of the dual space of \mathbb{R}^N the restriction on a linear functional to M is a Morse function.

Exercise 2. Show that every Morse function on a closed orientable 2 dimensional manifold of genus g has at least 2g + 2 critial points.

Exercise 3. Show that the space of $n \times n$ symmetric matrices with at least one eigenvalue of multiplicity greater than one is a stratified space with the stratum stratum of larget dimension being of codimension three.

Exercise 4. Show that every real vector bundle ξ of rank k over a manifold X of dimension d can be pulled back from the grassmanian

$$Gr_k(\mathbb{R}^{k+d}).$$

Hint: If ξ is pulled back then there is a fiberwise injective map

$$\xi \to \epsilon^{k+d}$$

Use parameteric transeversality to find the codimension of the set where a fiberwise linear map

 $\xi \to \epsilon^{k+d}$

is not of full rank.