

Every  $g \neq 1$  has no fixed pt.

• **Main theorem:**  $G$  acts **freely and properly**  $\Rightarrow M/G$  is smooth manifold and quotient map is submersion.

•  $G$  acts continuously on  $M \Rightarrow M \rightarrow M/G$  is an open map

$$\pi^{-1}(\pi(U)) = \bigcup_{g \in G} g \cdot U \text{ is open.}$$

• **Proper action:**  $(g.p, p): G \times M \rightarrow M \times M$  is a proper map  
(weaker than  $G \times M \rightarrow M$  being proper)  $G \times M \xrightarrow{pr_1} M$

• Eg.  $\mathbb{R} \curvearrowright \mathbb{T}^2$  irrationally is not proper

• **Proper action  $\Rightarrow M/G$  is Hausdorff**  $\leftarrow$  proper  $\Rightarrow$  closed map  $\Rightarrow \{(g.p, p)\} \subset M \times M \Rightarrow \text{orbit}_p$  is closed  $\forall p$

• Proper action

$\Leftrightarrow (p_i) \ \& \ (g_i.p_i)$  converge  $\Rightarrow$  subseq of  $(g_i)$  conv.

$\Leftrightarrow \forall \text{cpt } K, \{g \in G : (g.K) \cap K \neq \emptyset\}$  is cpt.

(called properly discnt. if  $G$  is discrete)

$\Rightarrow \text{orbit}_p \ \& \ \text{orbit}_q$  sep<sup>td</sup> by open sets

$\Rightarrow [p] \ \Delta \ [q]$  sep<sup>td</sup> by open sets since  $M \rightarrow M/G$  is open.

• **Action of compact Lie group is proper**

•  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  action on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is not proper! ( $K = \{0\}$ )

• **Proper  $\Rightarrow$  orbit is closed embedded submanifold**

• **Isotropy group at  $p$  is compact**

$$\{g : g.p = p\} = \{g : (g.p) \cap \{p\} \neq \emptyset\}$$

Trivial action has closed orbits but not proper!

To check  $f(S)$  is closed.  $f^{-1}(\bar{u})$  cpt  $\Rightarrow f^{-1}(\bar{u}) \cap S$  cpt.

$$U \supset p \in f(S). \Rightarrow p \in \overline{U \cap f(S)} \Rightarrow \bar{u} \cap f(S) \text{ cpt. hence closed}$$

$$\Rightarrow p \in f(S).$$

$G \xrightarrow{\varphi} M$  is proper (and hence closed):  
 $g \mapsto g.p$

$K \subset M$ .  $\sigma^{-1}(K) = \{g : (g.p) \cap K \neq \emptyset\}$  is cpt.

$\bar{\varphi} : G/G_p \xrightarrow{G \text{ equiv.}} M$  is inj. imm.

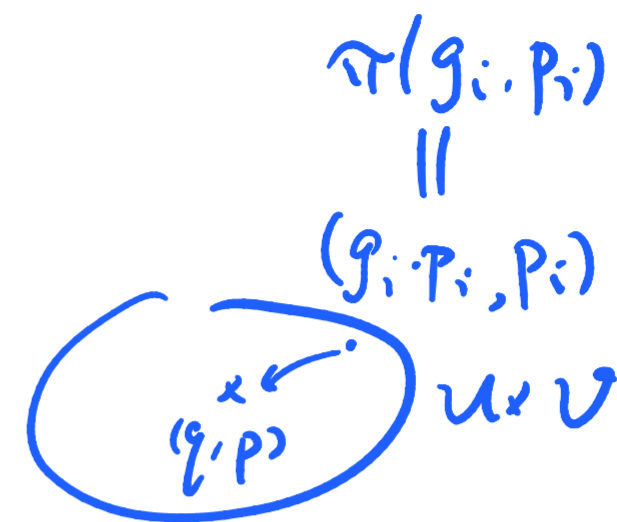
$\bar{\varphi}$  is  $\begin{cases} \text{inj.} \\ \text{imm.} \\ \text{and closed} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \text{embedded.}$   
(Dom  $\xrightarrow{\text{homeo.}}$  Im)

mfd by main thm.  
 $G \leftarrow G_p$  cpt.

$G \times M \xrightarrow{\pi} M \times M$  proper  $\Rightarrow [(p_i) \ \& \ (g_i p_i) \text{ converge} \Rightarrow \text{subseq of } (g_i) \text{ conv.}] :$

$p = \lim p_i, q = \lim g_i p_i. (g, p) \in U \times V \subset M \times M$  s.t.  $\overline{U \times V}$  cpt.

$(g_i, p_i) \in \pi^{-1}(\overline{U \times V})$  cpt  $\Rightarrow$  subseq. conv.



$[(p_i) \ \& \ (g_i p_i) \text{ converge} \Rightarrow \text{subseq of } (g_i) \text{ conv.}] \Rightarrow \forall \text{cpt } K, \{g \in G : (g \cdot K_1) \cap K_2 \neq \emptyset\}$  is cpt. :

$\vdash$  any seq.  $g_i : (g_i \cdot K_1) \cap K_2 \neq \emptyset$  has conv. subseq.

$$K_2 \ni p_i = g_i p_i \in K_1$$

$p_i, g_i p_i$  conv. in subseq.  $\Rightarrow g_i$  conv. in subseq.

$\forall \text{cpt } K, \{g \in G : (g \cdot K_1) \cap K_2 \neq \emptyset\}$  is cpt.  $\Rightarrow G \times M \xrightarrow{\pi} M \times M$  proper :

(or  $K_i = \pi_i(C)$ )

$K \triangleq \pi_1(C) \cup \pi_2(C)$  cpt.  $\pi^{-1}(K_1 \times K_2) = \{(g, p) : (g \cdot p, p) \in K_1 \times K_2\} \subseteq \underbrace{\{g : (g \cdot K_2) \cap K_1 \neq \emptyset\}}_{\text{cpt}} \times K_2$

$\therefore \pi^{-1}(K_1 \times K_2)$  cpt.

$\cup_{\text{closed}} \pi^{-1}(C) \Rightarrow$  cpt.

# Pf of main thm.:

free action  $\Rightarrow$  orbit distr. has rank  $k = \dim G$ . (If  $X_{\#}(p) = 0$ ,  $p$  is fixed by  $e^{tX_{\#}}$ .)

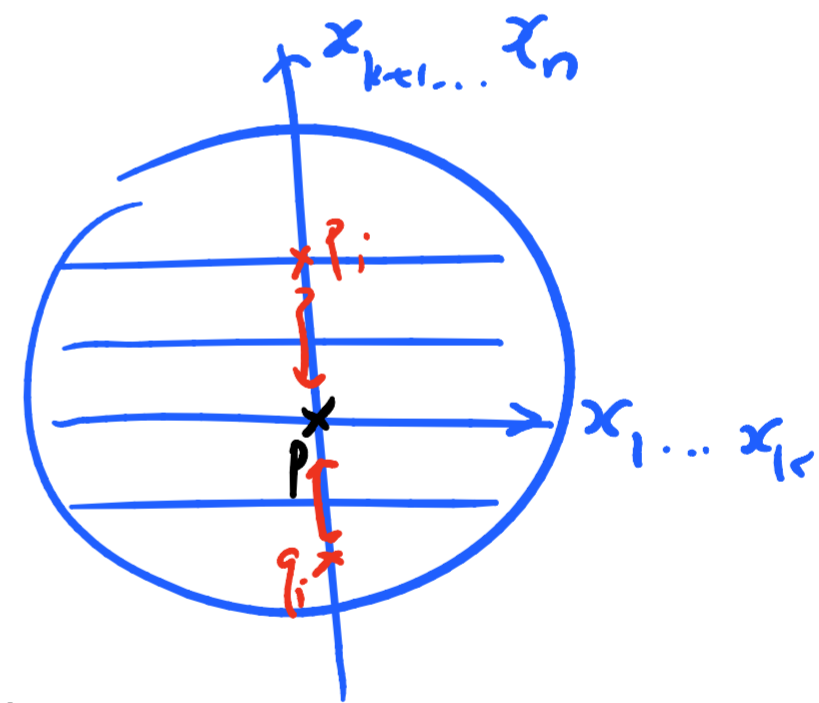
$g \curvearrowright M \xrightarrow[\text{const rk}]{\text{Lie homo.}}$  int. distribution. Leaves are orbits.

Loc. coord. of  $M/G$ : take coord.  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  adapted to the orbit foliation:  $\text{orbits} = \{x_{k+1}, \dots, x_n \text{ are const.}\}$

Want:  $(x_{k+1}, \dots, x_n) : M/G \xrightarrow{\text{cont.}} \mathbb{R}^{n-k}$  gives loc. coord

injective: by shrinking the chart if necessary,

different  $(x_{k+1}, \dots, x_n)$  corr. to different orbits.



If not,  $\exists p_i, q_i \mapsto p$  (in  $\{x_1 = \dots = x_k = 0\}$ ) in same orbit but  $p_i \neq q_i$ .

$$\begin{aligned} & \parallel \\ & g_i \cdot p_i \\ & \Rightarrow g_i \cdot v \mapsto g \text{ by properness.} \end{aligned}$$

$$g \cdot p = p \Rightarrow g = 1 \text{ by freeness.}$$

$$\text{But } G \times \{x_1 = \dots = x_k = 0\} \xrightarrow{g \cdot q} M \text{ is loc. diffeo. } \therefore g_i \cdot p_i = 1 \cdot q_i \Rightarrow g_i = 1 \cdot \underbrace{p_i = q_i}$$



Suppose  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  &  $(y_1, \dots, y_n)$  are adapted coord.

Then  $y_{k+i}$  are indep. of  $(x_1, \dots, x_k)$ : varying  $(x_1, \dots, x_k)$  stays in same orbit and hence  $y_{k+i}$  remains the same.

Thus have change of coord.  $(y_i(x_{k+1}, \dots, x_n))_{i=k+1}^n$  for  $M/G$ .

$M \xrightarrow{(x_{k+1}, \dots, x_n)} M/G$  is a submersion. #

## Examples.

•  $\mathbb{R}^2 / \mathbb{S}^1 \simeq \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ .

•  $\mathbb{R}^n / GL(n, \mathbb{R}) = \{[0], [v \neq 0]\}$ . Not Hausdorff.

•  $\mathbb{S}^3 / \mathbb{S}^1 = \mathbb{S}^2$ .  $\mathbb{S}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^3$   
 $\lambda \cdot (z, w) = (\lambda z, \lambda w)$   $\downarrow$  Hopf fibration  
 $\mathbb{S}^2$

•  $G = \mathbb{R} \xrightarrow{\text{transl.}} M = \mathbb{R}^2$  is proper. But  $G \times M \rightarrow M$  is not: orbits are non-cpt.