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## inverse function theorem

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Let **f** be a continuously differentiable, vector-valued function mapping the open set  $E \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and let  $S = \mathbf{f}(E)$ . If, for some point  $\mathbf{a} \in E$ , the Jacobian,  $|J_{\mathbf{f}}(\mathbf{a})|$ , is non-zero, then there is a uniquely defined function **g** and two open sets  $X \subset E$  and  $Y \subset S$  such that

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1. a \in X, f(a) \in Y;
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- 2.  $Y = \mathbf{f}(X)$ ;
- 3.  $\mathbf{f}: X \to Y$  is one-one;
- 4. **g** is continuously differentiable on Y and  $\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})) = \mathbf{x}$  for all  $\mathbf{x} \in X$ .

## 0.0.1 Simplest case

When n=1, this theorem becomes: Let f be a continuously differentiable, real-valued function defined on the open interval I. If for some point  $a \in I$ ,  $f'(a) \neq 0$ , then there is a neighbourhood  $[\alpha, \beta]$  of a in which f is strictly monotonic. Then  $y \to f^{-1}(y)$  is a continuously differentiable, strictly monotonic function from  $[f(\alpha), f(\beta)]$  to  $[\alpha, \beta]$ . If f is increasing (or decreasing) on  $[\alpha, \beta]$ , then so is  $f^{-1}$  on  $[f(\alpha), f(\beta)]$ .

## 0.0.2 Note

The inverse function theorem is a special case of the implicit function theorem where the dimension of each variable is the same.