Chapter 1: Topological Manifolds

Topological Manifolds

The study of differential geometry begins with tens of pages of definitions.

Definition 1.1: Topological Manifold

Let M be a topological space. M is a topological manifold of dimension m if it is Hausdorff, second-countable, and locally homeomorphic to \mathbb{R}^n .

Definition 1.2: Local homeomorphism

M locally homeomorphic to \mathbb{R}^n if every point $x \in M$ an open set U, equipped with a homeomorphism which sends points in U into an open subset of \mathbb{R}^n .

$$\phi: U \to \phi(U)$$

The tuple (U, ϕ) is called a coordinate chart.

Definition 1.3: More on coordinate charts

- A coordinate chart (U, ϕ) is centered at $p \in M$ if $p \in U$ and $\phi(p) = 0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$.
- We call U the coordinate domain, and
- we call ϕ the coordinate map.
- If the choice of (U, ϕ) is unambiguous, then the local coordinates of p are simply the coordinates of $\phi(p)$ in \mathbb{R}^n , and
- we sometimes also denote $\phi(U)$ by \hat{U} if it is unambiguous to do so.
- If \hat{U} is an open ball/cube, then U is called a coordinate ball/cube.

The central theme of point-set topology (or even metric topology) is that of passing a topological argument to the basis or to a neighbourhood. Manifolds in particular have a nice basis.

Proposition 1.1: Basis of precompact coordinate balls

Every topological manifold has a countable basis of precompact coordinate balls.

Proposition 1.2: Additional facts about topological manifolds

If M is a topological manifold,

- M is locally compact. (Lee, Proposition 1.12)
- M is paracompact, and every open cover has a refinement that is another countably locally finite open cover whose elements are chosen from an arbitrary (but fixed) basis of M. (Lee, Theorem 1.15)
- M is locally-path connected.
- *M* is connected iff it is path-connected.
- *M* is metrizable. (Munkres Chapter 6)

Smooth Manifolds

We wish to perform calculus on manifolds.

Definition 2.1: Smooth function $F: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$

Let $F: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$, replacing \mathbb{R}^n and \mathbb{R}^m with open subsets if necessary. F is smooth if its (scalar-valued) component functions has continuous partial derivatives of all orders. The set of smooth functions from \mathbb{R}^n to \mathbb{R}^m is sometimes denoted by $C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$. If m = 1, we sometimes write $C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$, similar to a test function on the Schwartz Space.

Definition 2.2: Transition map from ϕ to ψ

Let (U, ϕ) and (V, ψ) be coordinate charts on M. The composite function (whenever $U \cap V \neq \emptyset$)

$$\psi \circ \phi^{-1}: \phi(U \cap V) \to \psi(U \cap V)$$

is called the transition map. Notice $\psi \circ \phi^{-1}$ is by definition a homeomorphism.

Definition 2.3: Smoothly compatiable

Two coordinate charts on M, (U, ϕ) and (V, ψ) are called smoothly compatible if either their domains are disjoint, or their transition map is a diffeomorphism on \mathbb{R}^m .

Definition 2.4: Smooth atlas

An atlas \mathcal{A} of M is a collection of charts $\{(U_{\alpha}, \phi_{\alpha})\}$ whose collection of coordinate domains $\{U_{\alpha}\}$ for an open cover of M.

It is called a smooth atlas if any two charts in the atlas are pairwise smoothly compatible.

Definition 2.5: Smooth manifold

A smooth atlas \mathcal{A} on M is maximal if it is not contained (properly) in any other smooth atlas as a subset. In other words, if (U', ϕ') is a chart on M that is smoothly compatible with all elements in \mathcal{A} , then $(U', \phi') \in \mathcal{A}$ already.

This smooth atlas is often very large, it includes all translations of charts, dilations, and composition with diffeomorphisms in \mathbb{R}^m , restrictions onto open subsets, etc. A maximal smooth atlas is sometimes called a complete atlas, or a smooth manifold structure.

A smooth manifold is the tuple (M, \mathcal{A}) , where \mathcal{A} is some smooth atlas. It can happen if M is originally a topological manifold with a huge number of charts, some of which are smoothly compatible with others, that \mathcal{A} is a strict subset, and both \mathcal{A}_1 and \mathcal{A}_2 are maximal smooth atlases on M, but $\mathcal{A}_1 \neq \mathcal{A}_2$. We often omit \mathcal{A} and write M if the smooth atlas is understood or not of importance.

Definition 2.6: Smooth coordinate terminologies

Let (M, \mathcal{A}) be a smooth manifold.

- Any coordinate chart $(U, \phi) \in \mathcal{A}$ is called a smooth chart, similar to definition 1.3
- We call U the smooth coordinate domain or smooth coordinate neighbourhood of any $p \in U$, and
- we call ϕ the smooth coordinate map.
- The terms *smooth coordinate ball* and *smooth coordinate cube* are used similarly.
- A set $B \subseteq M$ is a regular coordinate ball if its image is a smooth coordinate ball centered at the origin; and the closure of this ball in \mathbb{R}^m is a subset of the image of another smooth coordinate ball, centered at the origin.

Definition 2.7: Standard smooth structure on \mathbb{R}^n

The maximal smooth atlas containing $(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathrm{id}_{\mathbb{R}^n})$ is called the *standard smooth structure on* \mathbb{R}^n .

Manifolds with boundary are not as important as regular manifolds for now, but they are worth mentioning.

Definition 2.8: Closed n-dimensional upper half-plane $\mathbb{H}^n \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$

We define the following symbols for the upper half plane.

•
$$\mathbb{H}^n = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \ x^n \ge 0 \right\},$$

• Int
$$\mathbb{H}^n = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \ x^n > 0 \right\}$$

•
$$\partial \mathbb{H}^n = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \ x^n = 0 \right\}$$

Definition 2.9: Manifolds with boundary

A topological space M is called a manifold with boundary if it is Hausdorff, second-countable, and locally homeomorphic to an open subset of \mathbb{H}^n (endowed with the subspace topology from \mathbb{R}^n).

A chart (U, ϕ) is an *interior chart* if its coordinate image is disjoint from the 'boundary' of the upper-half plane. This means $\phi(U) \cap \partial \mathbb{H}^n = \emptyset$. Similarly, (V, ψ) is a boundary chart if its range contains a point in $\partial \mathbb{H}^n$; so $\psi(V) \cap \partial \mathbb{H}^n \neq \emptyset$.

Similar to definition 1.3 and definition 2.6, we use the terms coordinate half-ball, coordinate half-cube, regular coordinate half-ball.

Let $p \in M$, it is called an *interior point of* M (not to be confused with the topological interior) if it is in the domain of some interior chart, and p is called a boundary point of M if there exists a boundary chart that sends p into $\partial \mathbb{H}^n$. The set of interior points and boundary points of M will be denoted by Int M and ∂M .

Example 2.1: Sphere as a topological manifold

The n-sphere as a topological manifold. Define

$$S^n = \left\{x \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}, \; |x| = 1
ight\}$$

We claim that $\{U_i^{\pm}\}_{i=1}^{n+1}$ form an open cover, where

$$U_i^+ = \left\{ x \in S^n, x^i > 0 \right\} \quad U_i^- = \left\{ x \in S^n, x^i < 0 \right\}$$

Each U_i^{\pm} is the inverse image of $\pi_i^{-1}((0,+\infty)) \cap S^n$ or $\pi_i^{-1}((0,-\infty)) \cap S^n$, hence open. For every $x \in S^n$, there exists at least some $1 \le j \le n+1$ that makes the j-th coordinate of $x, x^j \ne 0$. So

$$S^n = \bigcup_i U_i^\pm$$

Denote the unit ball $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, |x| < 1\}$ in \mathbb{R}^n by \mathbb{B}^n .

Chapter 2: Smooth Maps

Manifolds Smooth Maps

Smooth Maps

Definition 1.1: Smooth functions $C^{\infty}(M, \mathbb{R}^k)$

Let $F: M \to \mathbb{R}^k$ be a vector-valued function on a smooth manifold M. We say F is a smooth function if for every $p \in M$, there exists a smooth chart $p \in (U, \phi)$ such that the *coordinate representation of* F *at* p, *with respect to* (U, ϕ) is a smooth function from \mathbb{R}^m to \mathbb{R}^k , denoted by \hat{F} (in the sense of Definition 2.1).

$$\hat{F} = F \circ \phi^{-1} : \phi(U) \to \mathbb{R}^k \in C^{\infty}(\phi(U), \mathbb{R}^k)$$

if k=1, then we denote the space of test functions on M by $C^{\infty}(M)=C^{\infty}(M,\mathbb{R})$

Definition 1.2: Smooth maps between manifolds $C^{\infty}(N, M)$

Let $F: N \to M$ be a map between smooth manifolds N and M (note we switched the order). F is a smooth map if at every $p \in M$, there exists

- a chart in the smooth atlas of N (the domain), $p \in (U, \phi)$,
- another chart in the smooth atlas of M (the range), $F(U) \subseteq (V, \psi)$,
- such that, the coordinate representation of F at p with respect to (U, ϕ) , and (V, ψ) is a smooth function from \mathbb{R}^n to \mathbb{R}^m , also denoted by \hat{F} .

$$\hat{F} = \psi \circ F \circ \phi^{-1} : \phi(U) \to \psi(V) \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$$
 (1)

The following propositions summarizes common operations on smooth maps, a few sources of them.

Proposition 1.1: Smooth maps are continuous

If $F: N \to M$ is a smooth map, then F is continuous with respect to the topologies on N and M.

Proof. Let $p \in N$ be fixed, because F is smooth this induces two smooth charts, one in the domain and another in the range; as in definition 1.2. F(p) is a point in M. From eq. (1), $\hat{F}|\phi(U)$ is a smooth hence continuous function. Since $\phi: U \mapsto \phi(U)$ and $\psi: V \mapsto \psi(V)$ are homeomorphisms,

$$F|U= \underbrace{\psi^{-1}}_{\text{continuous}} \circ \hat{F}|\phi(U) \circ \underbrace{\phi}_{\text{smooth}} \quad \text{is continuous on} \quad U$$

Let the point p range through all the points in N, so F is continuous at every p, hence on N.

Manifolds Smooth Maps

Proposition 1.2: Characterizations of Smooth Maps

 $C^{\infty}(N,M)$] Let N and M be smooth manifolds, and $F:N\to M$. F is a smooth map iff

• For every $p \in N$, there exists smooth charts $p \in (U, \phi)$ and $F(p) \in (V, \psi)$ such that $U \cap F^{-1}(V)$ is an open set in N, and the composite map (the coordinate representation)

$$\psi \circ F \circ \phi^{-1}|(U \cap F^{-1}(V)) : \phi(U \cap F^{-1}(V)) \to \psi(V)$$
 is smooth

• F is continuous and there exist smooth at lases $\{(U_{\alpha}, \phi_{\alpha})\} \subseteq \mathcal{A}_{N}$, and $\{(V_{\beta}, \psi_{\beta})\} \subseteq \mathcal{A}_{M}$ such that the coordinate representation

$$\psi_{\beta} \circ F \circ \phi_{\alpha}^{-1} : \phi(U_{\alpha} \cap F^{-1}(V_{\beta})) \to \psi(V_{\beta})$$
 is smooth

whenever it makes sense.

• the restriction of F onto any arbitrary open set $U, F|U:U\mapsto M$ is smooth (in the sense of open submanifold).

Proof. By Proposition 1.1, and the fact that complete atlases are closed under restrictions onto open sets, it is clear that the original definition implies the two. The first definition also clearly implies the original definition, as we can restrict

$$(U,\phi) \mapsto \left(U \cap F^{-1}(V), \phi | (U \cap F^{-1}(V))\right)$$

since $U \cap F^{-1}(V)$ is open in the domain manifold.

The second definition implies the original one as well, since the smooth at lases are taken from the maximal atlas, we can pass the argument to any smoothly-compatible chart. At lases must cover both the domain and the range, and coordinate transitions between smoothly compatible charts are diffeomorphisms. If F is smooth on a subcollection of those charts, meaning

$$\psi_{\beta}\circ F\circ\phi_{\alpha}^{-1}\in C^{\infty}(\phi_{\alpha}(U_{\alpha})\cap F^{-1}(V_{\beta}),\psi_{\beta}(V_{\beta}))$$

it is smooth with respect to every pair of (smooth) charts in the two atlases \mathcal{A}_N , \mathcal{A}_M , as a composition of smooth maps:

$$\psi \circ \psi^{-1} \circ \psi_{\beta} \circ F \circ \phi_{\alpha}^{-1} \circ \phi \circ \phi^{-1}$$
smooth

where we can restrict $\phi_{\alpha} \mapsto \phi_{\alpha} | (U_{\alpha} \cap F^{-1}(V_{\beta}))$ by continuity of F. I will prove the third and last equivalence later.

Manifolds Diffeomorphisms

Proposition 1.3: Sources of smooth maps

Let N, M, P be smooth manifolds, then

- Every constant map is smooth,
- The identity map $id_M: M \to M$ is smooth,
- The inclusion map $\iota:W\to M$ is smooth, where W is an open submanifold of M.
- The composition of smooth maps is again a smooth map: if $F \in C^{\infty}(N, M)$ and $G \in C^{\infty}(M, P)$, then $(G \circ F) \in C^{\infty}(N, P)$

Diffeomorphisms

Definition 2.1: Diffeomorphism between Manifolds $\mathcal{D}(N, M)$

Let N and M be smooth manifolds, $F: N \to M$ is a diffeomorphism if it is a smooth bijective map with a smooth inverse. We denote the space of diffeomorphisms from N to M by $\mathcal{D}(N, M)$.

Proposition 2.1: Properties of Manifold Diffeomorphisms

Let N, M and P be smooth manifolds, then

- The composition of diffeomorphisms is again a diffeomorphism, that is, if $F \in \mathcal{D}(N, M)$ and $G \in \mathcal{D}(M, P)$, then $(G \circ F) \in \mathcal{D}(N, P)$.
- The open-manifold restriction of a diffeomorphism onto its image is again a diffeomorphism,
- Every diffeomorphism is a homeomorphism and an oepn map.

Proof. Trivial.

Partitions of Unity

See Folland Chapters 4 and 8. Including Urysohn's Lemma, Tietze's Extension Theorem, the usual construction of C_c^{∞} bump functions.

Chapter 3: Tangent Spaces

Algebra of Germs on $C^{\infty}(N)$

The tangent space is a powerful concept that acts almost like the dual in distribution theory.

Definition 1.1: Algebra of Germs at $p: C_p^{\infty}(N)$

Let N be a smooth manifold and $p \in N$. We define an equivalence relation on the space of test functions on N, $C^{\infty}(N)$. If $f,g \in C^{\infty}(N)$, we write $f \sim g$ if f = g for some open neighbourhood about p. We denote this equivalence class by $C_p^{\infty}(N)$, and it is clear $C^{\infty}(N)$ is closed under pointwise multiplication by the product rule, and form an algebra; so $C_p^{\infty}(N)$ is an algebra too.

Tangent space at p: T_pN

Definition 2.1: Vector space of derivations at p: T_pN

Let $\nu: C_p^{\infty}(N) \to \mathbb{R}$ be a linear functional on the vector space of germs at p. It is called a derivation at p if it satisfies the product rule, if $f, g \in C_p^{\infty}(N)$,

$$u(fg) = g(p)\nu(f) + f(p)\nu(g)$$

then we say

- ν is a tangent vector at p,
- $\nu \in T_pN$,
- ν is an element of the tangent space at p.
- ν is a derivation on N at p.

Proposition 2.1: Properties of derivations at p

Let N be a smooth manifold and $p \in N$.

- If $f \in C_p^{\infty}$ is constant in some neighbourhood of p, then $\nu(f) = 0$ for every $\nu \in T_pN$,
- If f(p) = g(p) = 0, then $\nu(fg) = 0$ for tangent vector ν at p.

Tangent space in \mathbb{R}^n

Proposition 3.1: Basis of $T_p\mathbb{R}^n$

Let \mathbb{R}^n be equipped with the standard smooth structure as in Definition 2.7. The vector space of derivations at $p \in \mathbb{R}^n$ are spanned by the n partial derivatives at p

$$\left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} \right|_n : f \mapsto \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} f(x) \right|_n, \quad 1 \leq j \leq n, \ f \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

Moreover, the *n* vectors form a basis, and dim $T_p\mathbb{R}^n = n$.

Definition 3.1: Standard Basis of $T_p\mathbb{R}^n$

The standard basis for the tangent space at $p \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is the n partial derivatives at p.

$$T_p \mathbb{R}^n = \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} \bigg|_p, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^n} \bigg|_p \right\}$$
 (2)

Definition 3.2: Coordinate functions x^j on \mathbb{R}^n

Let $x^1, \ldots x^n$ be the standard coordinates on \mathbb{R}^n . If $1 \leq j \leq n$, x^j is a function (also represented by the same symbol as the standard coordinate) from \mathbb{R}^n to \mathbb{R} , which maps each $p = (p^1, \ldots, p^j, \ldots, p^n)$ to its j-th coordinate $p \mapsto p^j$.

This map is linear, hence smooth, has the matrix representation of $\mathcal{M}\{x^j\} = (\delta_{jk})_{1,k} \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times n}$ where δ_{jk} denotes the discrete mass at j.

Furthermore, the coordinate functions behave like the dual basis for the derivations $\partial/\partial x^j|_p$ at p

$$\left.rac{\partial}{\partial x^{j}}
ight|_{p}(x^{k})=\delta_{jk}$$

If $\nu \in T_p \mathbb{R}^n$, and has the basis representation

$$u = \sum_{j}
u^{j} \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{j}} \right|_{p} =
u^{j} \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{j}} \right|_{p}$$

then

$$\nu = \sum_{j} \nu(x^{j}) \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{j}} \right|_{p} = \nu(x^{j}) \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{j}} \right|_{p} \tag{3}$$

Differential of a smooth map $F \in C^{\infty}(N, M)$

Definition 4.1: Differential of a smooth map $dF_p: T_pN \to T_{F(p)}M$

Let $F \in C^{\infty}(N, M)$, $p \in N$ and $\nu \in T_pN$ be a tangent vector at p. The differential of a smooth map is a linear map that sends tangent vectors in T_pN to tangent vectors in $T_{F(p)}M$. If $f \in C^{\infty}(M)$ is a test function on M, then $f \circ F$ is a test function on N, and

$$dF_p(
u)(f)=
uigg(f\circ F){C^\infty(N)}$$

We state the following without proof, as the proof is tedious. It simply involves unboxing the definition of the differential $dF_p: T_pN \to T_pM$, and projecting onto the coordinates.

Proposition 4.1: Properties of the differential

Let N, M and P be smooth manifolds, if $F \in C^{\infty}(N, M)$, $G \in C^{\infty}(M, P)$ then

- dF_p is a linear map between T_p and $T_{F(p)}N$,
- $d(G \circ F)_p = dG_{F(p)} \circ dF_p$
- $d(\mathrm{id}_N)_p = \mathrm{id}_{T_pN}$,
- if $F \in \mathcal{D}(N, M)$, then dF_p is a linear isomorphism between T_pN and $T_{F(p)}M$, and

$$(dF_p)^{-1} = d(F^{-1})_{F(p)}$$

Proposition 4.2: Matrix representation of the differential of $F: N \to M$

Let $F \in C^{\infty}(N, M)$, and $p \in N$ induces two charts $p \in (U, \phi)$ and $F(p) \in (V \psi)$. The matrix representation of the differential at $p, dF_p : T_pN \to T_{F(p)}M$ is nothing but the Jacobian matrix of size $m \times n$ of the coordinate representation at p.

$$\mathcal{M}\{dF_{p}\} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \hat{F}^{1}}{\partial x^{1}} \Big|_{\phi(p)} & \frac{\partial \hat{F}^{1}}{\partial x^{2}} \Big|_{\phi(p)} & \cdots & \cdots & \frac{\partial \hat{F}^{1}}{\partial x^{n}} \Big|_{\phi(p)} \\ \frac{\partial \hat{F}^{2}}{\partial x^{1}} \Big|_{\phi(p)} & \frac{\partial \hat{F}^{2}}{\partial x^{2}} \Big|_{\phi(p)} & \cdots & \cdots & \frac{\partial \hat{F}^{2}}{\partial x^{n}} \Big|_{\phi(p)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial \hat{F}^{m}}{\partial x^{1}} \Big|_{\phi(p)} & \frac{\partial \hat{F}^{m}}{\partial x^{2}} \Big|_{\phi(p)} & \cdots & \cdots & \frac{\partial \hat{F}^{m}}{\partial x^{n}} \Big|_{\phi(p)} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(4)$$

Differential of a smooth map $F \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$

An important application of this is the following. We begin with the $\mathbb{R}^m \to \mathbb{R}^n$ case. We will see that if p and F(p) are represented by another pair of coordinate charts (smoothly compatible with the previous pair), then the rank of dF_p does not change. So the rank of the differential is an invariant of the choice of coordinate chart.

Definition 5.1: Matrix representation of the differential of $F: \mathbb{R}^m \to \mathbb{R}^n$

Let $F \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{R}^n)$, and $p \in \mathbb{R}^m$ induces two charts $p \in (U, \mathrm{id}_{\mathbb{R}^m})$ and $F(p) \in (V \mathrm{id}_{\mathbb{R}^n})$, where $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ and $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$. The matrix representation of the differential at $p, dF_p : T_p\mathbb{R}^m \to T_{F(p)}\mathbb{R}^n$ is nothing but the Jacobian matrix of F at p.

$$\mathcal{M}\{dF_{p}\} = DF(p) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial F^{1}}{\partial x^{1}} \Big|_{p} & \frac{\partial F^{1}}{\partial x^{2}} \Big|_{p} & \cdots & \cdots & \frac{\partial F^{1}}{\partial x^{m}} \Big|_{p} \\ \frac{\partial F^{2}}{\partial x^{1}} \Big|_{p} & \frac{\partial F^{2}}{\partial x^{2}} \Big|_{p} & \cdots & \cdots & \frac{\partial F^{2}}{\partial x^{m}} \Big|_{p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial F^{n}}{\partial x^{1}} \Big|_{p} & \frac{\partial F^{n}}{\partial x^{2}} \Big|_{p} & \cdots & \cdots & \frac{\partial F^{n}}{\partial x^{m}} \Big|_{p} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(6)$$

Change of Coordinates Matrix

We will go through the section on the Change of Coordinates, and how different coordinate charts change the representation of a derivation at $p \in M$, where M is some smooth manifold.

Definition 6.1: Standard basis of T_pN

From proposition 2.1, since ϕ^{-1} is a diffeomorphism, $d(\phi^{-1}|_{\phi(p)}): T_{\phi(p)}\mathbb{R}^n \to T_pN$ is a linear isomorphism. Hence T_pN is a n-dimensional vector space, and the standard basis vectors of $T_p\mathbb{R}^n$ are denoted by

$$\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} \bigg|_p, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^n} \bigg|_p \right\} \tag{7}$$

where each basis vector $\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}\Big|_p \stackrel{\Delta}{=} d\Big(\phi^{-1}|_{\phi(p)}\Big)$ is the push-forward derivation (through ϕ^{-1}) of the j-th standard basis vector in $T_{\phi(p)}N$.

Proposition 6.1: Differential of $\psi \circ \phi^{-1}: M \to M$

Let M be a smooth manifold, and fix $p \in M$. If $\nu \in T_pM$ is given with respect to the bases

$$\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} \bigg|_p, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^m} \bigg|_p \right\}$$
 and $\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial y^1} \bigg|_p, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial y^m} \bigg|_p \right\}$

Defined by

$$\left\|rac{\partial}{\partial x^j}
ight|_p \stackrel{\Delta}{=} digg(\phi^{-1}igg|_{\phi(p)}igg)igg(rac{\partial}{\partial x^j}igg|_{\phi(p)}igg) \quad ext{and} \quad \left.rac{\partial}{\partial y^j}igg|_p \stackrel{\Delta}{=} digg(\psi^{-1}igg|_{\psi(p)}igg)igg(rac{\partial}{\partial y^j}igg|_{\psi(p)}igg)$$

and we write ν in terms of the first basis

$$\left|
u =
u^j \left. rac{\partial}{\partial x^j}
ight|_p = \sum_{j=1}^m
u^j \left. rac{\partial}{\partial x^j}
ight|_p$$

and the second basis

$$\left|
u=
u^j\left.rac{\partial y^k}{\partial x^j}
ight|_{\phi(p)}\left.rac{\partial}{\partial y^k}
ight|_p=\sum_{k=1}^m\sum_{j=1}^m
u^j\left.rac{\partial y^k}{\partial x^j}
ight|_{\phi(p)}\left.rac{\partial}{\partial y^k}
ight|_p$$

If $f \in C^{\infty}(M)$, then

$$u(f) =
u^j \left. rac{\partial}{\partial x^j}
ight|_p f =
u^j \left. rac{\partial y^k}{\partial x^j}
ight|_{\phi(p)} \left. rac{\partial}{\partial y^k}
ight|_p f$$

Proof. Recall $\frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}\Big|_p f \stackrel{\Delta}{=} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}\Big|_{\phi(p)} f \circ \phi^{-1}$, similarly for $\frac{\partial}{\partial y^j}\Big|_p f$. Deriving f and p and by vector space operations on $T_p M$, the first basis expansion gives

$$\nu^{j} \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{j}} \right|_{p} f = \nu^{j} \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{j}} \right|_{\phi(p)} f \circ \phi^{-1}$$
 (8)

and the second expression reads

$$\nu^{j} \left. \frac{\partial y^{k}}{\partial x^{j}} \right|_{\phi(p)} \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{k}} \right|_{p} f = \nu^{j} \left. \frac{\partial y^{k}}{\partial x^{j}} \right|_{\phi(p)} \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{k}} \right|_{\psi(p)} f \circ \psi^{-1}$$

$$(9)$$

Since $f \circ \phi^{-1} \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{R})$, we see the expressions are indeed equal. By the chain rule, if

$$\psi \circ \phi^{-1}(x^1,\ldots x^m) = (y^1,\ldots y^m)$$

then

$$D(\psi \circ \phi^{-1})(\phi(p)) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial y^1}{\partial x^1} \Big|_{\phi(p)} & \frac{\partial y^1}{\partial x^2} \Big|_{\phi(p)} & \cdots & \cdots & \frac{\partial y^1}{\partial x^m} \Big|_{\phi(p)} \\ \frac{\partial y^2}{\partial x^1} \Big|_{\phi(p)} & \frac{\partial y^2}{\partial x^2} \Big|_{\phi(p)} & \cdots & \cdots & \frac{\partial y^2}{\partial x^m} \Big|_{\phi(p)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial y^m}{\partial x^1} \Big|_{\phi(p)} & \frac{\partial y^m}{\partial x^2} \Big|_{\phi(p)} & \cdots & \cdots & \frac{\partial y^m}{\partial x^m} \Big|_{\phi(p)} \end{bmatrix}$$

It follows from Proposition 3.6d) that the matrix $D(\psi \circ \phi^{-1})|_{\phi(p)}$ is invertible, as $\psi \circ \phi^{-1}$ is a diffeomorphism.

Proposition 6.2: Rank of a dF_p is invariant under coordinate change

Let F be a smooth map between M and N, at every $p \in M$, rank dF_p is an invariant over (smoothly compatible) pairs of charts in M and N.

Proof. Let $p \in (U_1, \phi_1) \cap (U_2, \phi_2)$, and $F(p) \in (V_1, \psi_1) \cap (V_2, \psi_2)$. Where all charts are smoothly compatible if it makes sense to talk about it. Both $\phi_2 \circ \phi_1^{-1}$ and $\psi_2 \circ \psi_1^{-1}$ are diffeomorphisms, and the change of basis matrices $D(\phi_2 \circ \phi_1^{-1})\Big|_{\phi_1(p)}$ and $D(\psi_2 \circ \psi_1^{-1})\Big|_{\psi_1(F(p))}$ are invertible by Proposition 3.6d) again, so the ranks dF_p with respect to any of the two charts are equal.

$$D(\psi_2 \circ \psi_1^{-1}) \bigg|_{\psi_1(F(p))} \left(\mathcal{M}\{dF_p\} \right) D(\phi_2 \circ \phi_1^{-1}) \bigg|_{\phi_1(p)}$$
invertible invertible