

# ASSIGNMENT 6

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## 1. THEORY AND RESULTS

### 1.1. Jet Bundles.

**Definition 1.1.** Let  $X, Y$  be smooth manifolds and  $p \in X$ . Suppose  $f, g: X \rightarrow Y$  are smooth with  $f(p) = g(p) = q$ .

- (1) We say that  $f$  has *first order contact with  $g$  at  $p$*  if  $(df)_p = (dg)_p: T_p X \rightarrow T_q Y$ .
- (2) We say that  $f$  has  *$k$ th order contact with  $g$  at  $p$*  if  $(df): TX \rightarrow TY$  has  $(k-1)$ st order contact with  $(dg)$  at every point in  $T_p X$ . This is written as  $f \sim_k g$  at  $p$ .
- (3) Let  $J^k(X, Y)_{p,q}$  denote the set of equivalence classes under " $\sim_k$  at  $p$ " of smooth maps  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  where  $f(p) = q$ .
- (4) Define  $J^k(X, Y) := \bigcup_{(p,q) \in X \times Y} J^k(X, Y)_{p,q}$ . An element  $\sigma \in J^k(X, Y)$  is called a  *$k$ -jet of mappings (or just a  $k$ -jet) from  $X$  to  $Y$* .
- (5) Let  $\sigma$  be a  $k$ -jet. Then for some  $(p, q) \in X \times Y$ ,  $\sigma \in J^k(X, Y)_{p,q}$ . Then  $p$  is called the source of  $\sigma$  and  $q$  is called the target of  $\sigma$ . The mapping  $\alpha: J^k(X, Y) \rightarrow X$  given by  $\sigma \mapsto \text{source of } \sigma$  is called the source map and the mapping  $\beta: J^k(X, Y) \rightarrow Y$  given by  $\sigma \mapsto \text{target of } \sigma$  is called the target map.

**Definition 1.2** ( *$k$ -jet or the  $k$ -prolongation of a map*). For a smooth map  $f: X \rightarrow Y$ , there is a canonically defined map  $j^k f: X \rightarrow J^k(X, Y)$  called the  $k$ -jet of  $f$  defined by  $j^k f(p) = [f, p]$ , the equivalence class of  $f$  in  $J^k(X, Y)_{p,f(p)}$ , for every  $p \in X$ .

**Lemma 1.3.** *Let  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be open and  $p \in U$ . Let  $f, g: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  be smooth. Then  $f \sim_k g$  at  $p$  if and only if*

$$\frac{\partial^{|\alpha|} f_i}{\partial x^\alpha}(p) = \frac{\partial^{|\alpha|} g_i}{\partial x^\alpha}(p)$$

*for every multi-index  $\alpha$  with  $|\alpha| \leq k$  and  $1 \leq i \leq m$  where  $f_i$  and  $g_i$  are the coordinate functions determined by  $f$  and  $g$ , respectively, and  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  are coordinates on  $U$ .*

**Lemma 1.4.** *Let  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $V \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  be open. Let  $f_1, f_2: U \rightarrow V$  and  $g_1, g_2: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^l$  be smooth. Let  $p \in U$ . If  $f_1 \sim_k f_2$  at  $p$  and  $g_1 \sim_k g_2$  at  $q = f_1(p) = f_2(p)$ , then  $g_1 \circ f_1 \sim_k g_2 \circ f_2$  at  $p$ .*

*Proof.* We proceed by induction. First, we show the case when  $k = 1$ . In this case, the statement is precisely that

$$d(g_1 \circ f_1)_p = d(g_2 \circ f_2)_p$$

for all  $p \in U$ . But this is true by the chain rule:

$$d(g_1 \circ f_1)_p = (dg_1)_q (df_1)_p = (dg_2)_q (df_2)_p = d(g_2 \circ f_2)_p.$$

Suppose now the statement is true for  $k - 1$ . Then since  $(df_1) \sim_{k-1} (df_2)$  at  $p$  and  $(dg_1) \sim_{k-1} (dg_2)$  at  $q = f_1(p) = f_2(p)$ , we have by induction that

$$(dg_1) \circ (df_1) \sim_{k-1} (dg_2) \circ (df_2) \quad \forall (p, v) \in \{p\} \times \mathbb{R}^n$$

which by the chain rule is precisely saying that

$$d(g_1 \circ f_1) \sim_{k-1} d(g_2 \circ f_2)$$

for all  $(p, v) \in \{p\} \times \mathbb{R}^n$ . But this is precisely the definition of  $g_1 \circ f_1 \sim_k g_2 \circ f_2$  at  $p$ . □

**Definition 1.5.** Let  $X, Y, Z, W$  be smooth manifolds.

- (1) Let  $h: Y \rightarrow Z$  be smooth. Then  $h$  induces a map  $h_*: J^k(X, Y) \rightarrow J^k(X, Z)$  as follows: if  $[f, p] \in J^k(X, Y)_{p,q}$ , then  $h_*[f, p] = [h \circ f, p] \in J^k(X, Z)_{p, h(q)}$ .
- (2) If  $a: Z \rightarrow W$  is smooth, then  $(a \circ h)_* = a_* \circ h_*$  and  $(\text{id}_Y)_* = \text{id}_{J^k(X, Y)}$ . So if  $h$  is a diffeomorphism, then  $h_*$  is a bijection.
- (3) Let  $g: Z \rightarrow X$  be a smooth diffeomorphism. Then  $g$  induces a map  $g^*: J^k(X, Y) \rightarrow J^k(Z, Y)$  by  $g^*[f, p] = [f \circ g, g^{-1}(p)] \in J^k(Z, Y)$ .
- (4) Let  $a: W \rightarrow Z$  be a smooth diffeomorphism. Then  $(g \circ a)^* = a^* g^*$  and  $(\text{id}_X)^* = \text{id}_{J^k(X, Y)}$ .

Next, let  $A_n^k$  be the vector space of polynomials in  $n$  variables of degree  $\leq k$  which have constant term equal to 0. As coordinates for  $A_n^k$ , we can choose the coefficients of the polynomials. Let  $B_{n,m}^k = \bigoplus_{i=1}^m A_n^k$ . Both  $A_n^k$  and  $B_{n,m}^k$  are smooth manifolds.

Let now  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be open and  $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  smooth. Define  $T_k f: U \rightarrow A_n^k$  as  $T_k f(x_0)$  being the  $k$ th order Taylor polynomial of  $f$  at  $x_0$  without the constant term. Let  $V \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  be open. There is a canonical bijection  $T_{U,V}: J^k(U, V) \rightarrow U \times V \times B_{n,m}^k$  given by

$$T_{U,V}([f, x_0]) = (x_0, f(x_0), T_k f_1(x_0), \dots, T_k f_m(x_0)).$$

This map is well-defined and injective by Lemma 1.3.

**Lemma 1.6.** *Let  $U, U' \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be open and  $V, V' \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  open. Suppose  $h: V \rightarrow V'$  is smooth and  $g: U \rightarrow U'$  a diffeomorphism. Then*

$$T_{U',V'}(g^{-1})^* h_* T_{U,V}^{-1}: U \times V \times B_{n,m}^k \rightarrow U' \times V' \times B_{n,m}^k$$

*is smooth.*

**Definition 1.7** (Smooth structure on  $J^k(X, Y)$ ). Let  $X, Y$  be smooth manifolds of dimension  $n$  and  $m$ , respectively. Let  $(U, \varphi)$  and  $(V, \psi)$  be smooth charts in  $X$  and  $Y$ , respectively. Let  $U' = \varphi(U), V' = \psi(V)$ . Then let  $\tau_{U,V} := T_{U',V'} \circ (\varphi^{-1})^* \psi_*: J^k(U, V) \rightarrow U' \times V' \times B_{n,m}^k$ . We declare  $(J^k(U, V), \tau_{U,V})$  to be a chart for  $J^k(X, Y)$ . We equip  $J^k(X, Y)$  with the smooth structure induced by these smooth charts.

We thus see that

$$\dim J^k(X, Y) = m + n + \dim(B_{n,m}^k)$$

**Theorem 1.8.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be smooth manifolds with  $n = \dim X$  and  $m = \dim Y$ . Then*

- (1)  $\alpha: J^k(X, Y) \rightarrow X, \beta: J^k(X, Y) \rightarrow Y$  and  $\alpha \times \beta: J^k(X, Y) \rightarrow X \times Y$  are submersions.
- (2) If  $h: Y \rightarrow Z$  is smooth, then  $h_*: J^k(X, Y) \rightarrow J^k(X, Z)$  is smooth. If  $g: X \rightarrow Y$  is a diffeomorphism, then  $g^*: J^k(Y, Z) \rightarrow J^k(X, Z)$  is a diffeomorphism.
- (3) If  $g: X \rightarrow Y$  is smooth, then  $j^k g: X \rightarrow J^k(X, Y)$  is smooth.

*Proof.* (3) Let  $(U, \varphi), (V, \psi)$  be charts about  $x_0$  and  $g(x_0)$ , respectively. Then in local coordinates,

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{U,V} \circ j^k g \circ \varphi^{-1}(x) &= \tau_{U,V} [g, \varphi^{-1}(x)] T_{U',V'} [\psi \circ g \circ \varphi^{-1}, x] \\ &= (x, \psi \circ g \circ \varphi^{-1}(x), T_k(\psi_1 \circ g \circ \varphi^{-1})(x), \dots, T_k(\psi_m \circ g \circ \varphi^{-1})(x)) \end{aligned}$$

Now, each  $T_k(\psi_i \circ g \circ \varphi^{-1})$  is smooth being a sum of partial derivatives of the  $\psi_i \circ g \circ \varphi^{-1}$  which are smooth functions between Euclidean spaces. Since  $j^k g$  is locally smooth everywhere, we find that it is smooth.  $\square$

## 1.2. The Whitney $C^\infty$ topology (compact-open topology).

**Definition 1.9** (Residual, Baire space). Let  $F$  be a topological space. Then

- (1) A subset  $G$  of  $F$  is called *residual* if it is the countable intersection of open dense subsets of  $F$ .
- (2)  $F$  is called a *Baire space* if every residual set is dense.

**Proposition 1.10.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be smooth manifolds. Then  $C^\infty(X, Y)$  is a Baire space in the Whitney  $C^\infty$  topology.*

## 1.3. Transversality.

**Definition 1.11** (Transversality). Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be smooth manifolds and  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  a smooth map. Let  $W$  be a submanifold of  $Y$  and  $x \in X$ . Then  $f$  intersects  $W$  transversally at  $x$ , denoted by  $f \pitchfork W$  at  $x$ , if either  $f(x) \notin W$  or  $f(x) \in W$  and  $T_{f(x)}Y = T_{f(x)}W \oplus (df)_x(T_xX)$ .

**Proposition 1.12.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be smooth manifolds,  $W \subset Y$  a submanifold. Suppose  $\dim W + \dim X < \dim Y$  (i.e.,  $\dim X < \text{codim } W$ ). Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be smooth and suppose  $f \pitchfork W$ . Then  $f(X) \cap W = \emptyset$ .*

*Proof.* Exercise. □

**Lemma 1.13.** *Let  $X, Y$  be smooth manifolds and  $W \subset Y$  a submanifold, and  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  smooth. Let  $p \in X$  and  $f(p) \in W$ . Suppose there exists a neighborhood  $U$  of  $f(p)$  in  $Y$  and a submersion  $\varphi: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ , where  $k = \text{codim } W$ , such that  $W \cap U = \varphi^{-1}(0)$ . Then  $f \pitchfork W$  at  $p$  if and only if  $\varphi \circ f$  is a submersion at  $p$ .*

*Proof.* We have that since  $f(p) \in W$ ,  $f \pitchfork W$  at  $p$  if and only if  $T_{f(p)}Y = T_{f(p)}W \oplus (df)_p(T_pX)$ . Since  $\varphi(W \cap U) = 0$ ,  $(d\varphi)_p T_p W = 0$ , we have  $\ker(d\varphi)_p = T_p W$  for all  $p$ . Hence  $f \pitchfork W$  at  $p$  if and only if

$$T_{f(p)}Y = \ker(d\varphi)_p \oplus (df)_p(T_pX)$$

but  $\dim \ker(d\varphi)_p = \dim T_{f(p)}U - \dim \text{im}(d\varphi)_p = \dim T_{f(p)}Y - k$ , so  $f \pitchfork W$  at  $p$  if and only if  $\dim(df)_p(T_pX) = k$ , so in particular, since  $(d\varphi)_{f(p)}$  is surjective, this happens if and only if  $\dim(d\varphi \circ f)_p(T_pX) = k$ , i.e.,  $\varphi \circ f$  is a submersion at  $p$ . □

**Theorem 1.14** (Thom Transversality Theorem). *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be smooth manifolds and  $W$  a submanifold of  $J^k(X, Y)$ . Let*

$$T_W = \{f \in C^\infty(X, Y) \mid j^k f \pitchfork W\}.$$

*Then  $T_W$  is a residual subset of  $C^\infty(X, Y)$  in the  $C^\infty$  topology.*

#### 1.3.1. Multijet Spaces.

**Definition 1.15.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be smooth manifolds. Define

$$X^s = X \times \dots \times X$$

$$X^{(s)} = \{(x_1, \dots, x_s) \in X^s \mid x_i \neq x_j, \quad 1 \leq i < j \leq s\}.$$

Let  $\alpha: J^k(X, Y) \rightarrow X$  be the source map. Define  $\alpha^s: J^k(X, Y)^s \rightarrow X^s$  by  $(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_s) \mapsto (\alpha\sigma_1, \dots, \alpha\sigma_s)$ . Then define  $J_s^k(X, Y) = (\alpha^s)^{-1}(X^{(s)})$ , called the  $s$ -fold  $k$ -jet bundle.

A multijet bundle is some  $s$ -fold  $k$ -jet bundle,  $X^{(s)}$  is a manifold since it is an open subset of  $X^s$ , so  $J_s^k(X, Y)$  is an open subset of  $J^k(X, Y)^s$ , hence also a smooth manifold.

Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be smooth. Define  $j_s^k f: X^{(s)} \rightarrow J_s^k(X, Y)$  by

$$j_s^k f(x_1, \dots, x_s) = (j^k f(x_1), \dots, j^k f(x_s)).$$

**Theorem 1.16** (Multijet Transversality Theorem). *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be smooth manifolds with  $W$  a submanifold of  $J_s^k(X, Y)$ . Let*

$$T_W = \{f \in C^\infty(X, Y) \mid j_s^k f \pitchfork W\}.$$

*Then  $T_W$  is a residual subset of  $C^\infty(X, Y)$  in the  $C^\infty$  topology. Moreover, if  $W$  is compact, then  $T_W$  is open.*

#### 1.4. Critical Values and Non-degenerate Critical Values.

**Definition 1.17.** Given smooth manifolds  $X, Y$ , let  $\sigma = [f, p] \in J^1(X, Y)$ . Then define  $\text{rank } \sigma = \text{rank}(df)_p$  and  $\text{corank } \sigma = q - \text{rank } \sigma$  where  $q = \min\{\dim X, \dim Y\}$ . Define

$$S_r = \{\sigma \in J^1(X, Y) \mid \text{corank } \sigma = r\}$$

Let's use these definitions to reformulate the definitions of critical points and degenerate critical points.

**Lemma 1.18.**  $p \in X$  is a critical value for  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  if and only if  $[f, p] \in S_1$ .

*Proof.* Firstly, for a map  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , a point  $p \in X$  is a critical point if  $(df)_p = 0$ . Thus  $\text{rank } j^1 f = \text{rank}(df)_p = 0$ , so  $\text{corank } j^1 f = 1$ . Therefore if  $p$  is a critical point for  $f$ , then  $[f, p] \in S_1$ .

Conversely, if  $[f, p] \in S_1$ , then  $\text{corank } [f, p] = 1$ , so  $\text{rank}(df)_p = 0$ , but  $(df)_p: T_p X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , so having rank 0 means that it must be the 0 map, so  $(df)_p = 0$ . Hence  $p$  is a critical point. So we find that  $p \in X$  is a critical point for  $f$  if and only if  $[f, p] \in S_1$ .  $\square$

To relate non-degeneracy, we make use of the following proposition:

**Proposition 1.19.** Let  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be open and  $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  smooth. Then a point  $p \in U$  is a nondegenerate critical point for  $f$  if and only if  $p$  is a critical point and  $j^1 f \pitchfork S_1$  at  $p$ .

*Proof.* First recall that  $J^1(U, \mathbb{R}) \cong U \times \mathbb{R} \times B_{n,1}^1$  by definition/construction. Now,  $B_{n,1}^1 \cong \text{Hom}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R})$ . Since  $T_p J^1(U, \mathbb{R}) \cong T_p(U \times \mathbb{R} \times \text{Hom}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R})) \cong T_{p_1} U \oplus T_{p_2} \mathbb{R} \oplus T_{p_3} \text{Hom}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R})$ , we find that the projection  $\pi: J^1(U, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R})$  under this identification on tangent spaces simply becomes the projection on the  $T_{p_3} \text{Hom}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R})$  factor, hence  $\pi$  is a submersion. Furthermore, if  $\pi(\sigma) = 0$ , that means then in local coordinates, the first degree Taylor expansions without constant term of a smooth representative  $f$  for  $\pi$  at  $p$  vanish, so since these determine the equivalence class of  $[f, p] = \sigma$ , we have  $(df)_p = 0$ , that is,  $\sigma \in S_1$ . Hence  $S_1 = \pi^{-1}(0)$ . In particular,  $S_1$  is a submanifold as the preimage of a regular value. Applying Lemma 1.13,  $j^1 f \pitchfork S_1$  at  $p$  if and only if  $\pi \circ j^1 f$  is a submersion at  $p$ . Now

$$\pi \circ j^1 f(x) = (df)_x = \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}(x), \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}(x) \right)$$

so  $\pi \circ j^1 f$  is a submersion at  $p$  if and only if the map  $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  given by

$$x \mapsto \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}(x), \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}(x) \right)$$

is a submersion at  $p$  if and only if

$$\det H(f)_p = \det \left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}(p) \right) \neq 0.$$

$\square$

## 2. PROBLEMS

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $M$  be a smooth manifold. A Morse function  $f: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a smooth map such that all its critical points are non-degenerate, with pairwise distinct critical values in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

### 2.1. Reeb's Theorem.

**Problem 2.2** (Reeb's Theorem). (6 pts) Let  $M$  be a smooth, compact manifold of dimension  $d$ . Show that if  $M$  admits a Morse function with only two critical points, then  $M$  is homeomorphic to the sphere  $S^d$ . Indicate why the above proof fails in showing that  $M$  is diffeomorphic to the sphere  $S^d$ .

For the proof, we state a theorem that we will need:

**Definition 2.3.** For a smooth map  $f: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  on a smooth manifold  $M$ , let  $M^a = f^{-1}(-\infty, a]$ .

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $f \in C^\infty(M)$  on a manifold  $M$ . Let  $a < b$  and suppose that the set  $f^{-1}[a, b]$  is compact and contains no critical points of  $f$ . Then  $M^a$  is diffeomorphic to  $M^b$ . Furthermore,  $M^a$  is a deformation retract of  $M^b$ , so the inclusion  $M^a \hookrightarrow M^b$  is a homotopy equivalence.

*Proof of Problem 2.2.* Since  $M$  is compact, we have that  $f(M) = [a, b] \subset \mathbb{R}$ . Without loss of generality, assume that  $f(M) = [0, 1]$ .

We shall need the following lemma from analysis:

**Lemma 2.5** (Fermat's Theorem). Let  $f: (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function on an open interval  $(a, b) \subset \mathbb{R}$ . Suppose  $f$  has a local extremum at  $x_0 \in (a, b)$ . If  $f$  is differentiable at  $x_0$ , then  $f'(x_0) = 0$ .

Now, we claim that the two critical points are precisely the preimages of 0 and 1. For suppose  $x \in f^{-1}(0)$ . Then  $x$  is a global minimum for  $f$ . Taking some chart centered around  $x$ , we have a local representation of  $f$  as a function  $\mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow [0, 1]$  with a global minimum at 0. Taking the partial derivatives of  $f$  and applying Fermat's theorem to each of them, we find that each partial derivative evaluated at 0 is 0:  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(0) = 0$ . Hence we find that  $Df(0) = 0$ , so transferring back to the manifold,  $Df(x) = 0$ , so  $x \in M$  is a critical point. The same argument applies to show that any  $y \in f^{-1}(1)$  is a critical point. Since there are only two critical points, this immediately forces  $f^{-1}(0)$  and  $f^{-1}(1)$  to be singletons and thus global maximum and minimum of  $M$ . Suppose without loss of generality that  $p \in M$  is the minimum and  $q \in M$  is the maximum.

By Morse's Lemma, in some coordinate system about  $p$ , let's say in a neighborhood  $U$ ,  $f$  takes the form

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = -x_1^2 - \dots - x_\lambda^2 + x_{\lambda+1}^2 + \dots + x_n^2.$$

Now  $p$  is a global minimum, so in fact, we must have that  $\lambda = 0$ . That is

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2$$

in this neighborhood. Since also  $f(U)$  is open in the subspace topology and contains 0, we can find an open disk  $\tilde{D}_1$  centered at 0 of radius  $\varepsilon_1$  such that  $\tilde{D}_1 \cap [0, 1] \subset f(U)$ , and let  $D_1$  be the inverse of  $\tilde{D}_1$  under this local diffeomorphism.

Similarly, in a neighborhood  $V$  of  $q$ ,  $f$  takes the form

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = 1 - x_1^2 - x_2^2 - \dots - x_n^2.$$

Again take some open disk  $\tilde{D}_2$  centered at 1 of radius  $\varepsilon_2$  such that  $\tilde{D}_2 \cap [0, 1] \subset f(V)$ .

Let  $D_2$  be the inverse image under  $f$  of  $\tilde{D}_2$ .

We wish to show that there exists some  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that  $f^{-1}[0, \varepsilon]$  and  $f^{-1}[1 - \varepsilon, 1]$

are homeomorphic to the closed  $n$ -disk  $D^n$ . There exist  $\alpha, \beta \in (0, 1)$  such that  $f(M - D_1 \cup D_2) = [\alpha, \beta]$  since  $M - D_1 \cup D_2$  is still compact. Now simply let  $0 < \varepsilon < \min\{\alpha, 1 - \beta, \varepsilon_1, 1 - \varepsilon_2, 1 - \varepsilon_1, \frac{1}{4}\}$ . To see that this works, simply note that  $f^{-1}[0, \varepsilon] \subset D_1 \cup D_2$ . On  $D_1$ ,  $f$  takes values in  $[0, \varepsilon_1]$  and on  $D_2$ ,  $f$  takes values in  $[1 - \varepsilon_2, 1]$ . But  $\varepsilon < \varepsilon_1$ , so  $[0, \varepsilon] \subset [0, \varepsilon_1]$ , so  $f^{-1}[0, \varepsilon] \subset D_1$ , while  $\varepsilon < 1 - \varepsilon_2$ , so  $D_2 \cap f^{-1}[0, \varepsilon] = \emptyset$ . Similarly,  $1 - \varepsilon > \varepsilon_1$ , so  $D_1 \cap f^{-1}[1 - \varepsilon, 1] = \emptyset$  while  $1 - \varepsilon_2 > 1 - \varepsilon$ , so  $D_2 \subset f^{-1}[1 - \varepsilon, 1]$ .

Therefore, since  $f^{-1}[0, \varepsilon] \subset D_1 \subset U$  and we know that on  $U$ ,  $f$  takes the form

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2,$$

we know that  $f^{-1}[0, \varepsilon]$  is precisely a closed disk about  $p$ . Likewise,  $f^{-1}[1 - \varepsilon, 1]$  can be seen to be a closed disk about  $q$ .

But now by Theorem 2.4, since there are no critical points in  $f^{-1}[\varepsilon, 1 - \varepsilon]$  by assumption,  $M^\varepsilon$  is diffeomorphic to  $M^{1-\varepsilon}$ . Hence we find that  $M^{1-\varepsilon}$  and  $f^{-1}[1 - \varepsilon, 1]$  are both diffeomorphic to closed  $d$ -disks, and furthermore,  $M$  is obtained by gluing these  $d$ -disks along their boundary which is homeomorphic to  $S^{d-1}$ . We claim that this is sufficient to conclude that  $M$  is *homeomorphic* to  $S^d$ . The problem is that while we have individual diffeomorphisms  $M^{1-\varepsilon} \cong D^d$  and  $f^{-1}[1 - \varepsilon, 1] \cong D^d$ , the identifications of the boundaries might not be preserved under these diffeomorphisms, so we might not be able to reglue after. Let  $\varphi_1: M^{1-\varepsilon} \cong D^d$  and  $\varphi_2: f^{-1}[1 - \varepsilon, 1] \cong D^d$  be the diffeomorphisms. Then  $\varphi_1 \circ \varphi_2^{-1}$  is a diffeomorphism of  $S^{d-1}$ , and

$$M \cong D^d \sqcup_{\varphi_1 \circ \varphi_2^{-1}} D^d.$$

We construct a homeomorphism  $\psi: D_1 \sqcup_{\text{id}} D_2 \rightarrow D^d \sqcup_{\varphi_1 \circ \varphi_2^{-1}} D^d$  by

$$\psi(x) = \begin{cases} x & , x \in D_1 \\ 0 & , x \in D_2 \text{ and } x = 0 \\ \|x\| \varphi_1 \circ \varphi_2^{-1} \left( \frac{x}{\|x\|} \right) & , x \in D_2 - \{0\} \end{cases}$$

As the sphere is compact and the twisted sphere Hausdorff, this map is a homeomorphism. The reason it might fail to be a diffeomorphism, is that on  $D_2 - \{0\}$ , as we let  $x$  approach 0, we might have non-agreeing derivatives from different directions.

□

## 2.2. Existence of Morse functions.

**Problem 2.6** (Existence of Morse functions). Show that any smooth manifold admits a Morse function.

*Proof.* The proof of this problem will consist of first showing that the set of Morse functions is an open dense subset of  $C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R})$ . We will thereafter intersect this set with another residual set in  $C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R})$  which will force critical values to be distinct. Then we will finish the problem by making use of  $C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R})$  being a Baire space in the Whitney  $C^\infty$  topology when  $M$  is a manifold.

**Theorem 2.7.** *Let  $M$  be a manifold. The set of Morse functions is an open dense subset of  $C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R})$ .*

*Proof.* Recall that  $S_1$  is a submanifold of  $J^1(M, \mathbb{R})$ . Hence

$$T_{S_1} = \{f \in C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}) \mid j^1 f \pitchfork S_1\}$$

is a residual subset of  $C^\infty(X, Y)$  in the  $C^\infty$  topology.

By Theorem 1.19,  $j^1 f \pitchfork S_1$  if and only if for all points  $x \in X$ , either  $j_1 f(x) \notin S_1$  or  $j_1 f(x) \in S_1$  and  $j_1 f \pitchfork S_1$  at  $x$ . If  $j_1 f(x) \notin S_1$ , then  $x$  is not a critical value of  $f$ . If  $j_1 f(x) \in S_1$ , then  $x$  is a critical value. Then  $j_1 f \pitchfork S_1$  at  $x$  precisely means that  $x$  is a nondegenerate critical point. Hence  $T_{S_1}$  precisely consists of all smooth maps  $M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  which are Morse functions (not necessarily distinct critical values).

But by Proposition 1.10,  $C^\infty(X, Y)$  is a Baire space in the Whitney  $C^\infty$  topology when  $X$  and  $Y$  are manifolds, so by definition, every residual set is dense. Hence  $T_{S_1}$  is dense in  $C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R})$ . Since 0 is an element, it is in particular nonempty.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.8.** *Let  $M$  be a smooth manifold. The set of Morse functions all of whose critical values are distinct form a residual set in  $C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R})$*

*Proof.* Let  $S = (S_1 \times S_1) \cap J_2^1(M, \mathbb{R}) \cap (\beta^2)^{-1}(\Delta \mathbb{R})$ . We claim that  $S$  is a submanifold of the multijet bundle  $J_2^1(M, \mathbb{R})$ . It suffices to check that it is locally a submanifold. Let  $U$  be an open coordinate neighborhood in  $M$  diffeomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Recall that  $J^1(U, \mathbb{R}) \cong U \times \mathbb{R} \times B_{n,1}^1 \cong \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \text{Hom}(\mathbb{R}^n, 1)$ , so seeing as the coordinates on  $J_1^2(X, Y)$  are inherited from the product smooth structure and that of an open subset of a smooth manifold, we find  $J_1^2(U, \mathbb{R}) \cong (\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n - \Delta \mathbb{R}^n) \times (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}) \times \text{Hom}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R})^2$ . Inserting this in the expression for  $S$  and noting that  $(\beta^2)^{-1}(\Delta \mathbb{R})$  means that the codomain coordinates must be the same, so  $(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R})$  is replaced by  $\Delta \mathbb{R}$ , and intersecting with  $(S_1 \times S_1)$  means that the coordinates for the partial derivatives all vanish, so  $\text{Hom}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R})^2$  reduces to  $(0, 0)$ . So we get

$$S \cong (\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n - \Delta \mathbb{R}^n) \times \Delta \mathbb{R} \times (0, 0)$$

which indeed is a submanifold of

$$J_1^2(U, \mathbb{R}) \cong (\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n - \Delta \mathbb{R}^n) \times (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}) \times \text{Hom}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R})^2.$$

Since  $S$  is locally a submanifold of  $J_2^1(M, \mathbb{R})$  at each point, it is a submanifold. Moreover,  $\text{codim } S = 2n + 1$  where  $n = \dim M$ : since indeed  $\dim J_1^2(U, \mathbb{R}) = 2n - 1 + 2 + 2n$  and  $\dim S = 2n - 1 + 1$ .

Now applying the Multijet Transversality Theorem (Theorem 1.16), we obtain that  $T_S = \{f \in C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}) \mid j_2^1 f \pitchfork S\}$  is residual in  $C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R})$  equipped with the  $C^\infty$  topology.

But by Proposition 1.10,  $C^\infty(X, Y)$  is a Baire space in the Whitney  $C^\infty$  topology when  $X$  and  $Y$  are manifolds, so by definition, every residual set is dense. Hence  $T_S$  is dense in  $C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R})$ . Since 0 is an element, it is in particular nonempty.

Now, if  $f: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a smooth map. Then  $j_2^1 f: M^{(s)} \rightarrow J_2^1(M, \mathbb{R})$ . In particular, suppose that  $j_2^1 f \pitchfork S$ , then since  $\text{codim } S = 2n + 1$ , while  $\dim M^{(2)} = \dim M \times M - \Delta M = 2n - 1$ , we obtain immediately from Proposition 1.12 that  $j_2^1 f(M \times M - \Delta M) \cap S = \emptyset$ .

So if  $p, q$  are critical points of  $f$ , the fact that  $j_2^1 f(p, q) \notin S$  means that since  $(j^1 f(p), j^1 f(q)) \in S_1 \times S_1 \cap J_2^1(M, \mathbb{R})$ , it must be the failure of being in  $(\beta^2)^{-1}(\Delta \mathbb{R})$  that prevents  $j_2^1 f(M \times M - \Delta M)$  from intersecting  $S$ . I.e., the targets are not



equal:  $f(p) \neq f(q)$ . Since  $p, q$  were arbitrary critical values, the critical values of any  $f \in T_S$  are thus pairwise distinct.

Now taking the set  $T_S$  and  $T_{S_1}$  from Theorem 2.7, since  $T_{S_1}$  was shown to be an open dense subset of  $C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R})$ , and  $T_S$  was just shown to be residual in  $C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R})$ , i.e., the countable intersection of open dense subsets of  $C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R})$ , we find that  $T_S \cap T_{S_1}$  is the countable intersection of open dense subsets of  $C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R})$  also, hence residual in  $C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R})$ . From Proposition 1.10, we now obtain that  $T_S \cap T_{S_1}$  is dense in  $C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R})$ , giving us the collection we wanted.  $\square$

This completes the proof.  $\square$

### 2.3. On the Transversality Theorem.

**Problem 2.9** (On the transversality theorem). Let  $M$  be a smooth manifold.

- (1) Let  $X \subset M$  be a smooth submanifold, and let  $f: Y \rightarrow M$  be a smooth map, where  $Y$  is a smooth manifold. Show that  $f$  is smoothly homotopic to a map that intersects  $X$  transversally at every point.
- (2) Show that in the above setting, if  $f: Y \rightarrow M$  intersects  $X$  transversally, then  $f^{-1}(X)$  is a smooth submanifold of  $Y$  such that  $\dim Y + \dim f^{-1}(X) = \dim X$ .

*Proof.* (2) We were given the following lemma in class:

**Lemma 2.10.** *If  $f: X \rightarrow Z$  and  $g: Y \rightarrow Z$  are smooth maps between manifolds and  $f \pitchfork g$ , then the pullback exists:*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \exists W & \longrightarrow & Y \\ \downarrow \lrcorner & & \downarrow g \\ X & \xrightarrow{f} & Z \end{array}$$

Saying that  $f: Y \rightarrow M$  intersects  $X$  transversally then amounts to  $f: Y \rightarrow M$  and  $\iota: X \hookrightarrow M$  intersecting transversally, so the following pullback can be completed:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \exists W & \longrightarrow & X \\ \downarrow \lrcorner & & \downarrow \iota \\ Y & \xrightarrow{f} & M \end{array}$$

In particular,  $W$  is the fiber product  $X \times_M Y = \{(x, y) \mid \iota(x) = f(y)\} \cong f^{-1}(X)$ . Thus  $f^{-1}(X)$  is a smooth manifold.

I didn't get to the dimension part in time.  $\square$