

Submanifolds (= Regular submanifolds)

Let M be a manifold of dimension n .

Def A subset $S \subseteq M$ is a submanifold of dimension k if for each $p \in S$, there exists a chart $\phi: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ on M st $p \in U$ and $\phi(U \cap S) = \phi(U) \cap (\mathbb{R}^k \times \{0\})$

Equivalently, writing $\phi = (x^1, \dots, x^n)$, then

$$U \cap S = \{q \in U : x^{k+1}(q) = \dots = x^n(q) = 0\}$$

such ϕ is called a chart adapted to S .

Remark Suppose $\phi = (x^1, \dots, x^n)$ is a chart on M such that

$$U \cap S = \{q \in U : x^{j_1}(q) = \dots = x^{j_{n-k}}(q) = 0\} \text{ for } 1 \leq j_1 < \dots < j_{n-k} \leq n.$$

Then we can permute the coordinates to get an adapted chart.

Have proved:

Proposition Let $S \subseteq M$ be a k dimensional submanifold. Then the adapted charts define a smooth structure on S such that S is a k -dimensional manifold.

Ex $S^1 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 + y^2 = 1\}$ is a submanifold of \mathbb{R}^2 .

Consider $F: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$, $F(x, y) = (x, x^2 + y^2 - 1)$




Then $S^1 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : F^2(x, y) = 0\}$.

(Notice: F is not injective $- F(x, y) = F(x, -y)$.)

Jacobian matrix $J(F) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2x & 2y \end{bmatrix}$, $\det J(F) = 2y$.

Inverse function theorem: If $y \neq 0$, then there exists a nbh U of (x, y) st. $F: U \rightarrow F(U)$ is a diffeomorphism. Get adapted chart for all $(x, y): y \neq 0$, $F(U \cap S^1) = F(U) \cap (\mathbb{R} \times \{0\})$. Similarly, using $G(x, y) = (y, x^2 + y^2 - 1)$, we get an adapted chart for (x, y) st $x \neq 0$. \square

Exercise Let $L = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x \cdot y = 0, x \geq 0, y \geq 0\}$

 show that L is homeomorphic to \mathbb{R} , but is not a submanifold of \mathbb{R}^2 .

Def. Let $F: N \rightarrow M$ be a smooth map.

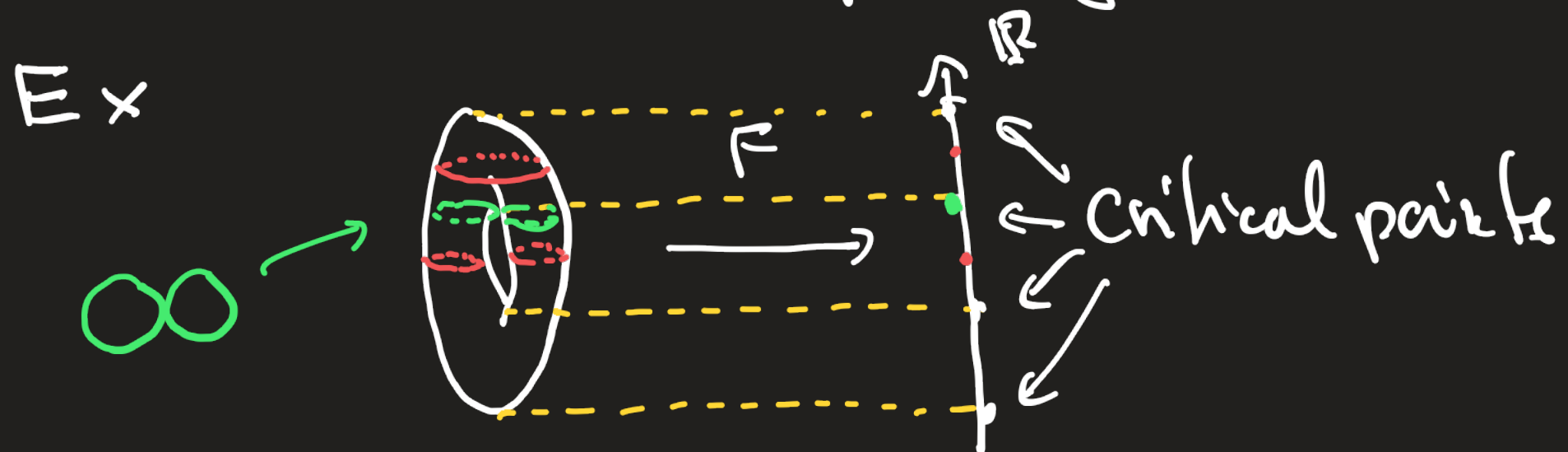
Given $c \in M$, the set $F^{-1}(c) = \{p \in N : F(p) = c\}$ is called the level set at level c

- $p \in N$ is a regular point if $F_{*,p}: T_p N \rightarrow T_{F(p)} M$ is surjective
- $p \in N$ is a critical point if $F_{*,p}$ is not surjective
- $c \in M$ is a regular value if all $p \in F^{-1}(c)$ are regular points.
- $c \in M$ is a critical value if there exists a critical point $p \in F^{-1}(c)$.

Notice It may happen that $F^{-1}(c) = \emptyset$. Then c is a regular value by definition.

Regular level set Theorem. Let $F: N \rightarrow M$ be smooth and suppose $\dim N = n$, $\dim M = m$. If $c \in M$ is a regular value in the image of F , then $F^{-1}(c)$ is an $(n-m)$ -dim. submanifold of N .

Corollary Let $F: N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a smooth map. If $c \in \mathbb{R}$ is a regular value (in the image of F) then $F^{-1}(c)$ is an $(n-1)$ -dim. submanifold of N .



Ex $F: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $F(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$

$F_{x,p}: T_p \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow T_p \mathbb{R}$, Jacobian matrix $[2x \ 2y \ 2z]$.

The only critical point is $(0,0,0)$

So $F(0,0,0) = 0$ is the only critical value

Consequence: If $c > 0$, then

$$S = \{ (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = c \}$$

is a 2-dimensional submanifold of \mathbb{R}^3 (a sphere).

Proof of the regular level set theorem $c \in M$ regular value

chart a chart $\psi: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ on M st. $\psi(c) = 0$

$$\text{Then } F^{-1}(c) = (\psi \circ F)^{-1}(0)$$

Write $\psi = (\psi^1, \dots, \psi^m)$, let $F^i = \psi^i \circ F: F^{-1}(V) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

$$\text{Then } F^{-1}(c) = \{ p \in F^{-1}(V) : F^i(p) = 0 \text{ for } i=1, \dots, m \}$$

Given $p \in F^{-1}(c)$, must find a chart on N adapted to $F^{-1}(c)$.

Choose a chart $\phi: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ on N st. $p \in U \subseteq F^{-1}(V)$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} N & \xrightarrow{F} & M \\ \cup & & \cup \\ F^{-1}(c) \subseteq F^{-1}(V) & \xrightarrow{F} & V \\ \cup & & \downarrow \psi \\ \phi \downarrow & & \mathbb{R}^m \\ \mathbb{R}^n & & \end{array}$$

write $\phi = (x^1, \dots, x^n)$

$$T_p(N) \xrightarrow{F_{*,p}} T_{F(p)}(M)$$

$$\text{bases } \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \Big|_p \right\} \quad \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial y^j} \Big|_{F(p)} \right\}$$

$$\text{The Jacobian is } \left[\frac{\partial F^i}{\partial x^j}(p) \right]$$

(= Jacobian for $\psi \circ F \circ \phi^{-1}$ at $\phi(p)$)

$F_{*,p}$ surjective $\Rightarrow \left[\frac{\partial F^i}{\partial x^j}(p) \right]$ has rank = m .

Since $\left[\frac{\partial F^i}{\partial x^j}(p) \right]$ has rank m , there is an invertible $m \times m$ submatrix. By permuting the coordinates, we may assume that $\left\{ \frac{\partial F^i}{\partial x^j}(p) \right\}_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq m \\ 1 \leq j \leq m}}$ is invertible.

Define $\Phi: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $\Phi = (F^1, \dots, F^m, x^{m+1}, \dots, x^n)$

Claim: Φ is a chart on N in a nbh U_p of p .

$$\left[\frac{\partial \Phi^i}{\partial x^j} \right] = \begin{bmatrix} \left\{ \frac{\partial F^i}{\partial x^j} \right\}_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq m \\ 1 \leq j \leq m}} & \left\{ \frac{\partial F^i}{\partial x^j} \right\}_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq m \\ m+1 \leq j \leq n}} \\ \left\{ \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial x^j} \right\}_{\substack{m+1 \leq i \leq n \\ 1 \leq j \leq m}} & \left\{ \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial x^j} \right\}_{\substack{m+1 \leq i \leq n \\ m+1 \leq j \leq n}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \left\{ \frac{\partial F^i}{\partial x^j} \right\}_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq m \\ 1 \leq j \leq m}} & ? \\ \bigcirc & I \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Hence}$$

$$\det \left[\frac{\partial \Phi^i}{\partial x^j}(p) \right] = \det \left\{ \frac{\partial F^i}{\partial x^j} \right\}_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq m \\ 1 \leq j \leq m}} \neq 0$$

By the inverse function theorem $\underline{\Phi}$ is a chart in a possibly smaller nbh $U_p \subset P$.

This is in fact a chart adapted to $F^{-1}(c)$:

$$\underline{\Phi}(U_p \cap F^{-1}(c)) = \underline{\Phi}(U_p) \cap (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R}^{n-m}), \text{ since}$$

F^1, \dots, F^m vanish on $F^{-1}(c)$. \square

Ex. Let $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$ be defined by $\begin{cases} x^3 + y^3 + z^3 = 1 \\ x + y + z = 0 \end{cases}$

Claim S is a 1-dim. submanifold of \mathbb{R}^3 .

Let $F: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$, $F(x, y, z) = \begin{bmatrix} x^3 + y^3 + z^3 \\ x + y + z \end{bmatrix}$

Jacobian matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 3x^2 & 3y^2 & 3z^2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(x, y, z) is a regular point iff $\text{rank } J(F) = 2$.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3x^2 & 3y^2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 3(x^2 - y^2) = 0 \Rightarrow x = \pm y$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3x^2 & 3z^2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 3(x^2 - z^2) = 0 \Rightarrow x = \pm z.$$

Consequence: (x, y, z) is a critical point iff $|x| = |y| = |z|$.

If also $x + y + z = 0$, then $x = y = z = 0$

Consequence: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is a regular value for F .

Ex $\text{Mat}_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) \cong \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2} \cong \mathbb{R}^4.$

Let $\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R}) = \{ A \in \text{Mat}_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) : \det A = 1 \}.$

Claim $\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})$ is a 3-dim submanifold of $\text{Mat}_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}).$

$\det: \text{Mat}_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \det \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = ad - bc.$

Jacobian matrix of $\det: [d \ -c \ -b \ d]$

The only critical point $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Hence 1 is a regular value for \det , so

$\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R}) = \det^{-1}(1)$ is a 3-dim. submanifold of $\text{Mat}_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) \cong \mathbb{R}^4.$

Claim In general $SL_n(\mathbb{R})$ is an n^2-1 -dim submanifold of $Mat_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R}) \cong \mathbb{R}^{n^2}$.

consider $\det: Mat_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $\det^{-1}(1) = SL_n(\mathbb{R})$.

Given $A = [a_{ij}]$, we know $\det(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{i+1} a_{i1} \det(A_{i1})$,

where A_{i1} is a submatrix of A .

Hence $\frac{\partial \det}{\partial x_{11}}(A) = \det(A_{11})$, $\frac{\partial \det}{\partial x_{12}}(A) = -\det(A_{12})$,

... , $\frac{\partial \det}{\partial x_{1n}}(A) = (-1)^{n+1} \det(A_{1n})$

Hence if all $\frac{\partial \det}{\partial x_{ij}}(A) = 0$, we have $\det(A) = 0$

Hence 0 is the only critical value.

In particular, 1 is a regular value.