

# The Implicit Function Theorem

$$\begin{aligned} x &= (x_1, \dots, x_m) \\ y &= (y_1, \dots, y_p) \\ F &= (F_1, \dots, F_p) \end{aligned}$$

## Recollection:

Theorem:  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  open,  $V \subset \mathbb{R}^p$  open

$$F: U \times V \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^p \text{ of class } C^1$$

$$(x, y) \longmapsto F(x, y)$$

$$(x_0, y_0) \in U \times V$$

If  $D_y F(x_0, y_0)$  is invertible then there exist  $r, s > 0$  satisfying

$$B(x_0, r) \subset U, B(y_0, s) \subset V \text{ and } \varphi: B(x_0, r) \longrightarrow B(y_0, s)$$

of class  $C^1$  such that

$$(*) \quad \forall (x, y) \in B(x_0, r) \times B(y_0, s), F(x, y) = F(x_0, y_0) \Leftrightarrow y = \varphi(x)$$

Remember that  $D_y F(x_0, y_0)$  is the jacobian matrix of  $y \mapsto F(x_0, y)$  at  $y_0$  and that  $D_x F(x_0, y_0)$  is the jacobian matrix of  $x \mapsto F(x, y_0)$  at  $x_0$

$$DF(x_0, y_0) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x_1}(x_0, y_0) & \dots & \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x_m}(x_0, y_0) & \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y_1}(x_0, y_0) & \dots & \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y_p}(x_0, y_0) \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial F_p}{\partial x_1}(x_0, y_0) & \dots & \frac{\partial F_p}{\partial x_m}(x_0, y_0) & \frac{\partial F_p}{\partial y_1}(x_0, y_0) & \dots & \frac{\partial F_p}{\partial y_p}(x_0, y_0) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ M_{p, m+p}(\mathbb{R}) & & & & \\ \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{D_x F(x_0, y_0)} & & \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{D_y F(x_0, y_0)} \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ M_{p, m}(\mathbb{R}) & & M_{p, p}(\mathbb{R}) \end{matrix}$$

Remark:  $F(x_0, y_0) = F(x_0, y_0)$  so  $y_0 = \varphi(x_0)$  by (\*)

Remark:  $F(x, \varphi(x)) = F(x_0, y_0) \quad \forall x \in B(x_0, r)$

$$\Rightarrow D_{\underset{y_0}{F}}(x_0, \varphi(x_0)) \begin{pmatrix} I_{m,m} \\ D\varphi(x_0) \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$\hookrightarrow$  the RHS is constant  
 $\hookrightarrow$  by the chain rule applied to  $F \circ G(x)$   
where  $G(x) = (x, \varphi(x))$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} D_x F(x_0, y_0) & D_y F(x_0, y_0) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I_{m,m} \\ D\varphi(x_0) \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow D_x F(x_0, y_0) + D_y F(x_0, y_0) D\varphi(x_0) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow D\varphi(x_0) = - [D_y F(x_0, y_0)]^{-1} D_x F(x_0, y_0)$$

recall that  $D_y F(x_0, y_0)$   
is invertible

Cl. We know how to compute  $D\varphi(x_0)$  in terms of  $F$

$$D\varphi(x_0) = - [D_y F(x_0, y_0)]^{-1} D_x F(x_0, y_0)$$

you should know this formula

(or better: be able to quickly recover it)

Special case of the IFT when  $p=1$

Theorem:  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  open,  $I = (a, b)$ ,  $F: U \times I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   
 $F: (x_1, \dots, x_m, y) \mapsto F(x_1, \dots, x_m, y) \in \mathbb{R}$

If  $\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0) \neq 0$  then there exist  $r, s > 0$  with  $B(x_0, r) \subset U$

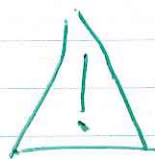
and  $(y_0 - s, y_0 + s) \subset I$  and  $\varphi: B(x_0, r) \rightarrow (y_0 - s, y_0 + s) \subset \mathbb{R}$  s.t.

$$\forall (x, y) \in B(x_0, r) \times (y_0 - s, y_0 + s), F(x, y) = F(x_0, y_0) \Leftrightarrow y = \varphi(x)$$

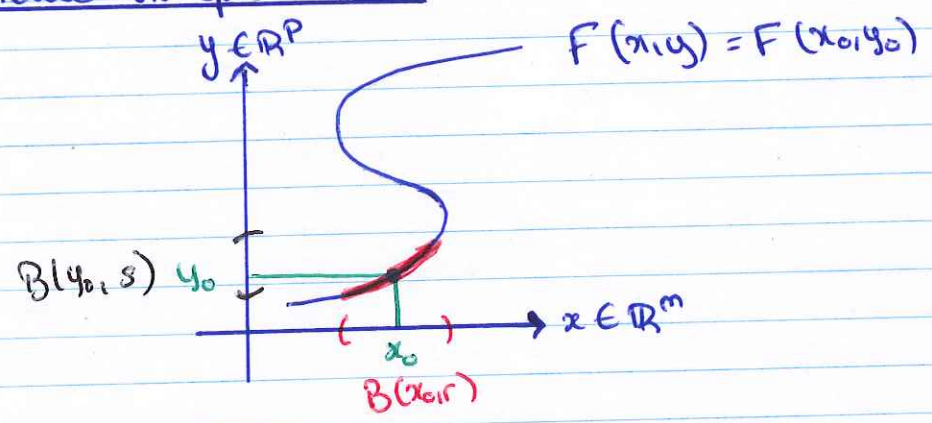
Remark: by computing the  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$ 's derivative at  $x_0$  of  $F(x, \varphi(x)) = F(x_0, y_0)$

we get:

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x_i}(x_0, y_0) = - \frac{\frac{\partial F}{\partial x_i}(x_0, y_0)}{\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)}$$



Geometric interpretation:

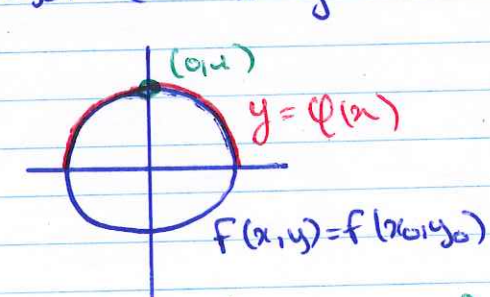


Under the assumptions of the IFT, the level set  $F(x, y) = F(x_0, y_0)$  defines locally around  $(x_0, y_0)$  a function  $y = \varphi(x)$  of class  $C^1$

Example:

$F(x, y) = x^2 + y^2, (x_0, y_0) = (0, 1), \frac{\partial F}{\partial y}(0, 1) = 2 \neq 0$

$F(x, y) = F(x_0, y_0) \Leftrightarrow x^2 + y^2 = 1$

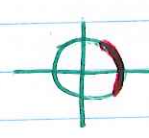


$\varphi: \begin{matrix} (-1, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ x \mapsto \sqrt{1-x^2} \end{matrix}$

$F(x, \varphi(x)) = 1 \Rightarrow x^2 + \varphi(x)^2 = 1 \Rightarrow 2x + 2\varphi(x)\varphi'(x) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow 2\varphi(0)\varphi'(0) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \varphi'(0) = 0$

Remark: at  $(1, 0)$   $\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}(1, 0) = 0$  but  $\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}(1, 0) = 2 \neq 0$

so we can express  $F(x, y) = 1$  as a function  $x = \varphi(y)$



Homework: Questions from 3.1

## The Inverse Function Theorem

⚠ Notice that the domain and codomain have same dimension  $m$

Theorem:  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  open,  $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m \in C^\pm$ ,  $a \in U$

If  $Df(a)$  is invertible then  $\exists V, W \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  open sets satisfying  
 $a \in V \subset U$ ,  $f(a) \in W$  s.t.  $f: V \rightarrow W$  is a  $C^\pm$ -diffeomorphism.  
(i.e.  $f: V \rightarrow W$  is  $C^\pm$ , bijective and  $f^{-1}: W \rightarrow V$  is also  $C^\pm$ )

⚠ If  $Df(a)$  is invertible then locally around  $a$  and  $f(a)$   
 $f$  is a  $C^\pm$ -diffeomorphism: we shrink the domain from  
 $U$  to a smaller  $V$

Remark: the implicit function theorem and the inverse function theorem are equivalent

⚠ Imp FT  $\Rightarrow$  Invt FT:

Let  $f: U \xrightarrow{C^\pm} \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  open,  $a \in U$  s.t.  $Df(a)$  is invertible.

Define  $F: U \times \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  by  $F(x, y) = f(x) - y$

then  $D_x F(a, f(a)) = Df(a)$  is invertible. {  $D_x F$  is invertible so the Imp FT gives  $x$  in terms of  $y$  }

Hence, by the Imp FT,  $\exists \varphi: B(f(a), r) \rightarrow B(a, s) \subset U$

s.t.  $\forall (x, y) \in B(a, s) \times B(f(a), r)$ ,  $F(x, y) = \overset{0}{F(a, f(a))} \Leftrightarrow x = \varphi(y)$

i.e.  $y = f(x) \Leftrightarrow x = \varphi(y)$

so  $\varphi = f^{-1}$  for  $f: B(a, s) \cap f^{-1}(B(f(a), r)) \rightarrow B(f(a), r)$

SmFT  $\Rightarrow$  ImpFT:

Let  $F: U \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p \in C^\pm$ ,  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  open,  $V \subset \mathbb{R}^p$  open, assume  $D_y F(x_0, y_0)$  invertible

Notice that  $U \times V$  is an open subset of  $U \times V$  and define

$f: U \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m+p}$  by  $f(x, y) = (x, F(x, y))$

$$Df(x_0, y_0) = \begin{pmatrix} I_{m,m} & 0 \\ D_x F(x_0, y_0) & D_y F(x_0, y_0) \end{pmatrix} \text{ is invertible}$$

so, by the SmFT, we can find  $M, N \subset \mathbb{R}^{m+p}$  open s.t.

$(x_0, y_0) \in M \subset U \times V$ ,  $(x_0, F(x_0, y_0)) \in N$ ,  $f: M \rightarrow N \in C^\pm$  diffeo

notice that, by definition of  $f$ ,  $f^{-1}(x, F(x_0, y_0)) = (x, \varphi(x))$

for some  $\varphi \in C^\pm$  defined in a neighborhood of  $x_0$   
 *$\hookrightarrow$  we should be a little bit more careful here*

but  $f(x, \varphi(x)) = (x, F(x_0, y_0))$ , i.e.  $F(x, \varphi(x)) = F(x_0, y_0)$   
" "  
 $(x, F(x, \varphi(x)))$

□

Rem: from  $f^{-1} \circ f = \text{id}$  we obtain:  $Df^{-1}(f(a)) \cdot Df(a) = I_{m,m}$

$$\Rightarrow Df^{-1}(f(a)) = [Df(a)]^{-1}$$

Definitions:  $f: A \rightarrow B$  homeomorphism means  $f$  bij +  $f \in C^0 + f^{-1} \in C^0$

$U, V \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $f: U \rightarrow V$   $C^k$ -diffeomorphism means:

$f$  bijective +  $f \in C^k + f^{-1} \in C^k$

## Singularity points:

### Case 1: Curves in $\mathbb{R}^2$

Observation: A curve may be described in 3 natural ways

① as a graph  $S = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x \in I, y = f(x)\}$   
or  $S = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : y \in I, x = f(y)\}$

where  $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$  open interval

② as a level set:  $S = \{(x, y) \in U : F(x, y) = c\}$

where  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  is open and  $F: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$

△ In this case we can get something too big

$$S = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : F(x, y) = 0\} \text{ where } F(x, y) = 0$$

$= \mathbb{R}^2$

or too small

$$S = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \sin^2(x) + \cos^2(y) = 4\} = \emptyset$$
$$S = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 + y^2 = 0\} = \{(0, 0)\}$$

③ Parametrically,  $S = \{\gamma(t) : t \in I\}$  where  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$  open interval  
 $\gamma: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$

△ Again we can get something too small:

$$\{\gamma(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}\} = \{(0, 0)\} \text{ for } \gamma(t) = (0, 0) \text{ constant}$$

or too big: type "Peano curve" on google

↳ this last phenomenon is not possible for  $\gamma \in C^1$ .

Remark 1: A curve represented by a graph may be represented by a level set

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Indeed: } & \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x \in I, y = f(x)\} \\ & = \{(x, y) \in I \times \mathbb{R} : y - f(x) = 0\} \\ & = \{(x, y) \in I \times \mathbb{R} : F(x, y) = 0\} \text{ where } F(x, y) = y - f(x)\end{aligned}$$

But the converse is false; the lemniscate

$$x^4 - x^2 + y^2 = 0 \quad \infty$$

may not be described as a graph around  $(0, 0)$

Remark 2: A curve represented by a graph admits a parametrization

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Indeed: } & \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x \in I, y = f(x)\} \\ & = \{(t, f(t)) : t \in I\} \\ & = \{\gamma(t) : t \in I\} \text{ where } \gamma(t) = (t, f(t))\end{aligned}$$

But the converse is false:  $\gamma(t) = \left( \frac{t^2-1}{t^2+1}, \frac{2t(t^2-1)}{(t^2+1)^2} \right)$   
gives again the lemniscate  $\infty$  which may not be described as a graph around  $(0, 0)$


another parametrization is  $\gamma(t) = (\sin(t), \sin(t)\cos(t))$

Remark 3:  $y^3 - x^2 = 0$   $\checkmark$  may be described as the graph of  
 $f(x) = |x|^{2/3}$  but may not be described as the graph of a  $C^1$  function

The above observations lead us to the following definitions:

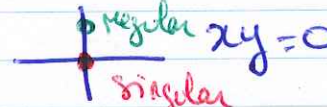
Def. Let  $C \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  be a curve. We say that  $C$  is **regular** at  $a \in C$  if there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  s.t.  $C \cap B(a, \varepsilon)$  is the graph of a  $C^1$  function

We say that  $C$  is **singular** at  $a$  if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $C \cap B(a, \varepsilon)$  is not the graph of a  $C^1$  function.

Ex.  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  is regular at all its points  
 is the graph of some  $x = g(y)$   $C^1$   
 is the graph of some  $y = f(x)$   $C^1$

Ex:  $y^3 = x^2$   


Ex:  $x^4 - x^2 + y^2 = 0$   


Ex:  $xy = 0$   


Theorem:  $F: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   $C^1$ ,  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  open,  $a'' = (x_0, y_0) \in U$

If  $\nabla F(a) \neq \vec{0}$  then  $C = \{(x, y) \in U : F(x, y) = F(x_0, y_0)\}$  is regular at  $a$ .

$\Delta$  We know that  $\nabla F(a) = \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial x}(a), \frac{\partial F}{\partial y}(a) \right) \neq (0, 0)$

Case 1:  $\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}(a) \neq 0$  then by the Implicit Function Theorem, then  $C$  is locally the graph of a function  $y = \varphi(x)$  around  $a$ .

Case 2:  $\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}(a) \neq 0$  same but  $x = \varphi(y)$

□



Theorem:  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$  open interval,  $\gamma: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$   $C^1$ ,  $t_0 \in I$

If  $\gamma'(t_0) \neq \vec{0}$  then there exists  $r > 0$  st.  $(t_0 - r, t_0 + r) \subset I$  and

$C = \{\gamma(t) : t \in (t_0 - r, t_0 + r)\}$  is regular.

$\Delta$   $\gamma'(t_0) = (\gamma_1'(t_0), \gamma_2'(t_0))$  so WLOG we may assume that  $\gamma_1'(t_0) \neq 0$ .

By the Inverse Function Theorem,  $\exists r > 0$  st.

$J = (t_0 - r, t_0 + r) \subset I$ ,  $K = \gamma_1(J)$  open interval,  $\gamma_1: J \rightarrow K$  bijection and  $\gamma_1^{-1}: K \rightarrow J$  is  $C^1$ .

Define  $f: K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $f(x) = \gamma_2(\gamma_1^{-1}(x))$

then  $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x \in K, y = f(x)\}$

$$= \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : t \in J, x = \gamma_1(t), y = \gamma_2(t)\}$$

$$= \{\gamma(t) : t \in J\}$$

The idea is the following: around to " $x \xleftrightarrow[\text{b.i.s.}]{\gamma_1} t \xrightarrow{\gamma_2} y$ "  $\square$

**!** Beware: the domain of  $f$  is shrunk, we don't conclude that  $\{\gamma(t) : t \in I\}$  is regular only  $\{\gamma(t) : t \text{ close to } t_0\}$

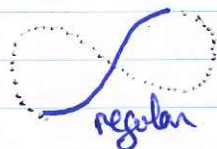
Ex:  $\gamma(t) = (\sin(t), \sin(t)\cos(t))$

$t \in \mathbb{R}$ :



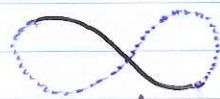
singular at (0,0)

$t \in (\pi/2 - r, \pi/2 + r)$



regular

$t \in (3\pi/2 - r, 3\pi/2 + r)$



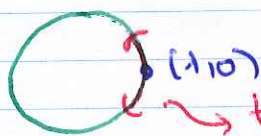
regular

Case 2: The general case

Def. Let  $M \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ ,  $a \in M$ . We say that  $M$  is **regular of dimension  $d$  at  $a$**  if there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  s.t., up to permuting the variables,  $B(a, \varepsilon) \cap M$  is the graph of a  $C^1$ -function  $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{N-d}$  where  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  is open

⚠ "Up to permuting the variables" means that we express  $N-d$  variables in terms of  $d$  variables but not necessarily the  $N-d$  last in terms of the  $d$  first.

Ex:  $M = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 + y^2 = 1\}$  is regular <sup>of dim 1</sup> at  $(1, 0)$



↪ this part may not be described as a graph  $y = \varphi(x)$  but it can be described as a graph  $x = \varphi(y)$

Theorem:  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^N$  open,  $F: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{N-d}$   $C^1$ ,  $a \in U$ .

If  $\text{rank}(DF(a)) = N-d$  then  $M = \{x \in U : F(x) = F(a)\}$  is regular of dimension  $d$  at  $a$ .

△ Let's denote  $DF(a) = (\nu_1 \ \nu_2 \ \dots \ \nu_N) \in M_{N-d, N}(\mathbb{R})$ ,

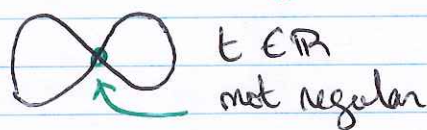
by assumption we may find  $i_1, \dots, i_{N-d}$  s.t.  $\nu_{i_1}, \dots, \nu_{i_{N-d}}$  are linearly independent then  $D_{(x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_{N-d}})} F(a)$  is invertible.

By the Imp FT, we may locally describe  $M$  around  $a$  as a  $C^1$  graph  $(x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_{N-d}}) = \varphi(\text{of the } d \text{ remaining variables})$  □

Theorem:  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  open,  $\sigma: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$   $C^1$ ,  $t_0 \in U$ .

If  $\text{rank}(D\sigma(t_0)) = d$  then  $\exists r > 0$  s.t.  $B(t_0, r) \subset U$  and  $M = \{\sigma(t) : t \in B(t_0, r)\}$  is regular of dimension  $d$

⚠ Again, as in the planar curve case, we shrink the domain to avoid "self intersection"



⚠  $D\sigma(t_0) = \begin{matrix} \uparrow N \\ \left( \begin{array}{c} \nabla\sigma_1(t_0) \\ \nabla\sigma_2(t_0) \\ \vdots \\ \nabla\sigma_N(t_0) \end{array} \right) \end{matrix}$  is of rank  $d$ , up to permuting

$\leftarrow d \rightarrow$

the components we may assume that  $\nabla\sigma_2(t_0), \dots, \nabla\sigma_d(t_0)$  are linearly independent

hence, by the Inv. FT,  $\varphi: t \mapsto (\sigma_1(t), \dots, \sigma_d(t))$  is a  $C^1$ -diffeo for  $t_0 \in \mathcal{U}$  small enough

We define  $f: \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{N-d}$  by  $f(\underbrace{x_1, \dots, x_d}_x) = (\sigma_{d+1}(\varphi^{-1}(x)), \dots, \sigma_N(\varphi^{-1}(x)))$

then  $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^{N-d}, x \in \mathcal{W}, y = f(x)\} = \{\sigma(t) : t \in \mathcal{U}\}$  □

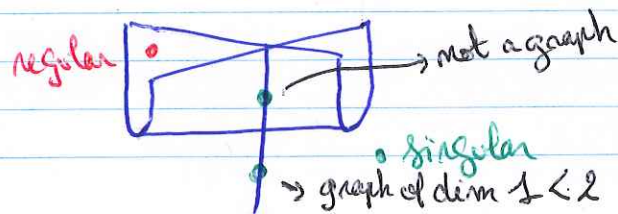
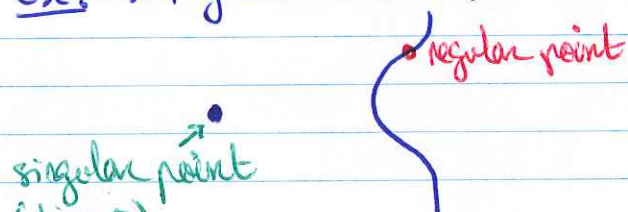
Def.  $M \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ ,  $a \in M$ . We say that  $a$  is a **singular point** of  $M$

if  $a$  is not a regular point of "maximal dimension"

Otherwise, we say that  $a$  is a **regular point** of  $M$  (with no precision about the dimension)

Ex:  $x^2 + y^2 - x^3 = 0$  (it's a curve, dim 1)

Ex: Whitney's umbrella  $x^2 - zy^2 = 0$





false

You may be tempted to use the following

statement: DO NOT, it is false

Let  $\sigma: U \xrightarrow{C^1} \mathbb{R}^N$  be a parametrization where  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  open

If ①  $\forall t \in U, D\sigma(t)$  is of rank  $d$

②  $t \neq t' \Rightarrow \sigma(t) \neq \sigma(t')$

then  $C = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \sigma(t) : t \in U \\ \uparrow \\ \mathbb{R}^N \end{array} \right\}$  is regular of dimension  $d$

$\Delta$  Indeed, by ①,  $\forall t_0 \in U, \exists \varepsilon > 0$ , st.  $\{ \sigma(t) : t \in (t_0 - \varepsilon, t_0 + \varepsilon) \}$

is regular (ie there is no cusp)

and by ② there is no self-intersection, so we can't

have something like  $\infty \{ (\sin(t), \sin(2t)) : t \in \mathbb{R} \}$   $\square$

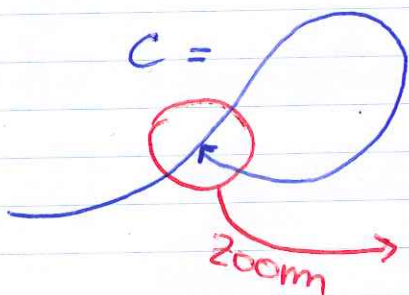
Comment: the last part of the proof is false:

take  $\sigma(t) = (\sin(t), \sin(2t))$ ,  $t \in (-1, \pi)$

then  $\sigma$  satisfies the assumptions ① and ② but

$C = \{ \sigma(t) : t \in (-1, \pi) \}$  is not regular at  $(0,0)$ .

counter-example



we "stop" the parametrization just before self-intersection so  $\sigma$  is 1-to-1 but there is no "hole" between the two branches

can't be a graph

Ex: a curve in the 3-dimensional Euclidean space

•  $t \mapsto (t^3, t^2, t^6)$  parametrization

•  $\begin{cases} x^2 - z = 0 \\ y^3 - z = 0 \end{cases}$  level set / implicit equation

both define the same curve  $C \subset \mathbb{R}^3$

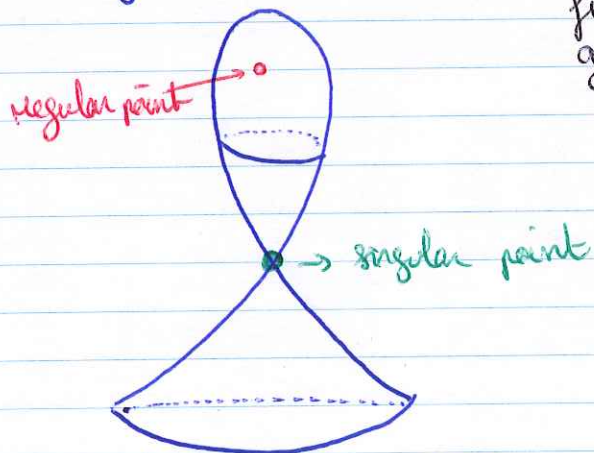
Define  $F(x, y, z) = (x^2 - z, y^3 - z)$  then  $C = \{(x, y, z) : F(x, y, z) = (0, 0)\}$

$DF(x, y, z) = \begin{pmatrix} 2x & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 3y^2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$  is of rank 2<sup>3-1</sup> except at  $(0, 0, 0) \in C$

By the above theorem,  $C$  is regular for  $(x, y, z) \neq (0, 0, 0)$

Graphically, we see that  $C$  is singular at  $(0, 0, 0) \rightarrow$  Prove it rigorously!

Ex:  $x^2 + y^2 - z^2(1-z) = 0$



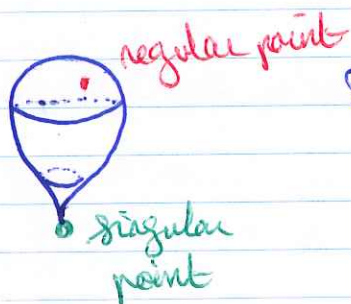
Rem: this surface is easy to draw, for  $z = z_0$  fixed, the distance  $\rho$  at the  $Oz$  axis is given by  $\rho^2 = z_0^2(1-z_0)$

$z \mapsto \sqrt{z^2(1-z)}$

(indeed, if we remove this point we have to path-connected components whereas if we remove a point of a graph  $B(0, r) \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , we have one

$DF(x, y, z) = (2x \quad 2y \quad z(3z-2))$

Ex:  $x^2 + y^2 - z^3(1-z) = 0$



$DF(x, y, z) = (2x \quad 2y \quad z^2(-3+4z))$

Exercise:  $C = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^3 + y^3 - 3xy = 0\}$  "Folium of Descartes"

1. Study the singular points of  $C$
2. Find a parametric description of  $C$

(Hint: study  $C \cap \{y = tx\}$ )

and use it to draw  $C$

Exercise: Prove that the following sets are singular at the origine

1)  $M = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : y = |x|\}$

2)  $M = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 = y^2\}$

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

4)  $M = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 = y^3\}$

Exercise: Define  $C \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  implicitly by

$$\begin{cases} x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = R^2 \\ x^2 + y^2 - 2x = 0 \end{cases}$$

where  $R > 0$  is fixed

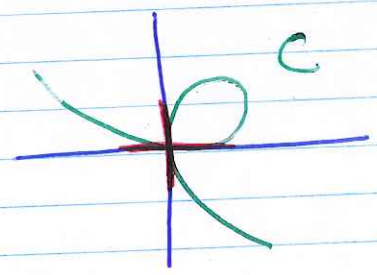
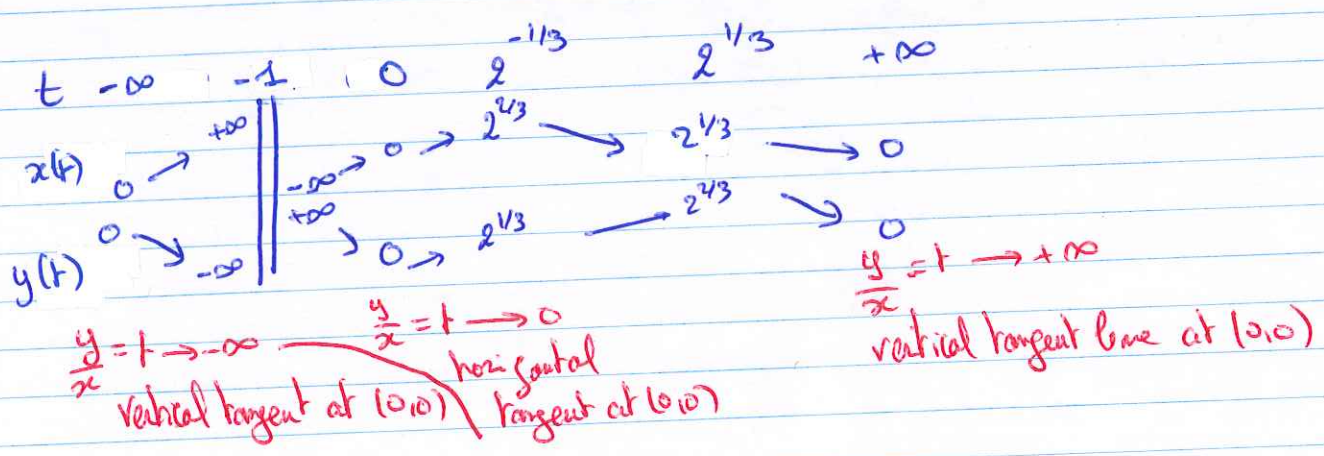
1. Prove that  $C$  is regular for  $R \neq 2$
2. What do we get for  $R = 2$

I wrote these solutions quickly after class  
 → DOUBLE CHECK EVERYTHING

Solutions:


Exo 1:  $C \cap \{y=tx\} \rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} y=tx \\ x^3+y^3-3xy=0 \end{cases}$   
 $\Rightarrow \begin{cases} y=tx \\ x^3+t^3x^3-3tx^2=0 \end{cases}$   
 $\Rightarrow \begin{cases} y=tx \\ x^2((1+t^3)x-3t)=0 \end{cases}$   
 $\Rightarrow xy=(0,0)$  or  $(x,y) = \left(\frac{3t}{1+t^3}, \frac{3t^2}{1+t^3}\right)$

we study  $x(t) = \frac{3t}{1+t^3}$  and  $y(t) = \frac{3t^2}{1+t^3}$



$f(x,y) = x^3+y^3-3xy$      $Df(x,y) = (3x^2-3y, 3y^2-3x)$

is on max rank on  $C \setminus \{0\}$  so  $C \setminus \{0\}$  is regular

At  $(0,0)$ :   $(C \setminus \{0\}) \cap B(0,\epsilon)$  has 4 path-connected components :  $C$  is not regular of dim 1 at  $(0,0)$

# IDEM: Don't trust me!

## Exo 2

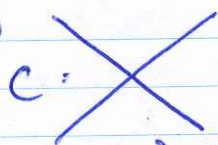
(1) Assume  $y = \varphi(x)$  in a  $B(0, \epsilon)$

then  $\varphi(x) = |x|$  is not  $C^1$

• Assume  $x = \varphi(y)$  in a  $B(0, \epsilon)$

then  $|\varphi(y)| = y \Rightarrow \varphi(y) = \pm y$  : not a graph (2 possible  $x$ -values for a  $y$ )

(2)



$$x^2 - y^2 = (x-y)(x+y)$$

Method 1:  $y = \varphi(x) \Rightarrow (x - \varphi(x))(x + \varphi(x)) = 0$

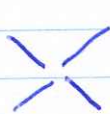
$\Rightarrow \varphi(x) = \pm x \rightarrow$  not a graph

$x = \varphi(y) \Rightarrow \varphi(y) = \pm y \rightarrow$  not a graph

Method 2: is  $\{(x, \varphi(x))\} = B(0, \epsilon) \cap \dots$  for  $\varphi: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   $\rightarrow$  small interval

then  $M \cap B(0, \epsilon) = F(I)$  for  $F(x) = (x, \varphi(x))$

$\Rightarrow (M \cap B(0, \epsilon)) \setminus \{0\} = F(I \setminus \{0\})$



$$= F(\leftarrow) \cup (\rightarrow)$$

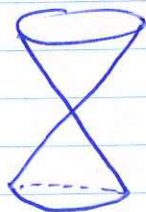
contradiction

$\hookrightarrow$  4 components

$\hookrightarrow$  2 components

$\hookrightarrow$  at most 2 components since the  $\mathbb{R}^2$  image of a p.c. is p.c.

(3)



Method 1:  $x = \varphi(y, z) \Rightarrow \varphi(y, z) = \pm \sqrt{z^2 - y^2}$  not a graph

$y = \varphi(x, z) \Rightarrow \varphi(x, z) = \pm \sqrt{z^2 - x^2}$  not a graph

$z = \varphi(x, y) \Rightarrow \varphi(x, y) = \pm \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$

Method 2: if  $M$  is regular then



$$(B(0, \epsilon) \cap M) \setminus \{0\}$$

$\hookrightarrow$  2 comp

do as above

$B(0, \epsilon) \setminus \{0\} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$

$\nearrow$

(4)  $x = \varphi(y) \Rightarrow \varphi(y)^2 = y^3 \Rightarrow \varphi(y) = \pm y^{3/2}$  not a graph 1 comp

$y = \varphi(x) \Rightarrow x^2 = \varphi(x)^3 \Rightarrow \varphi(x) = x^{2/3}$  not  $C^1$



Why are we so interested by sets that are locally a graph?

Extra: (not part of MAT 237)

Assume that  $M \subset \mathbb{R}^N$  is regular of dimension  $d$  at  $a \in M$ , then we may locally flatten  $M$  around  $a$ : around  $a$   $M$  looks like  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .

Formally:  $\exists U \subset \mathbb{R}^N$  an open subset containing  $a$   
 $\exists V \subset \mathbb{R}^N$  as open subset containing  $\vec{0}$   
 $\exists F: U \rightarrow V$  a  $C^\pm$ -diffeomorphism ( $F$  is bijective,  $F$  and  $F^{-1}$  are  $C^\pm$ )

such that  $F(U \cap M) = V \cap (\mathbb{R}^d \times \{0\}^{N-d})$

$\Delta$  By definition  $\exists \varepsilon > 0$  s.t.  $B(a, \varepsilon) \cap M = \{ (x, \varphi(x)) : x \in \mathcal{W} \}$

where  $\mathcal{W} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  is open and  $\varphi: \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{N-d}$ . (up to permuting the coordinates)

Define  $F: \mathcal{W} \times \mathbb{R}^{N-d} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$  by

$$F(x_1, \dots, x_d, y_1, \dots, y_{N-d}) = (x_1 - a_1, \dots, x_d - a_d, y_1 - \varphi_1(x), \dots, y_{N-d} - \varphi_{N-d}(x))$$

Then  $DF(a) = \begin{pmatrix} I_{d,d} & 0 \\ * & I_{N-d, N-d} \end{pmatrix}$  is invertible, so by the

inverse function theorem  $\exists U \subset \mathbb{R}^N$  open containing  $a$ ,  $\exists V \subset \mathbb{R}^N$  open

containing  $F(a) = 0$  s.t.  $F: U \rightarrow V$  is a  $C^\pm$ -diffeomorphism

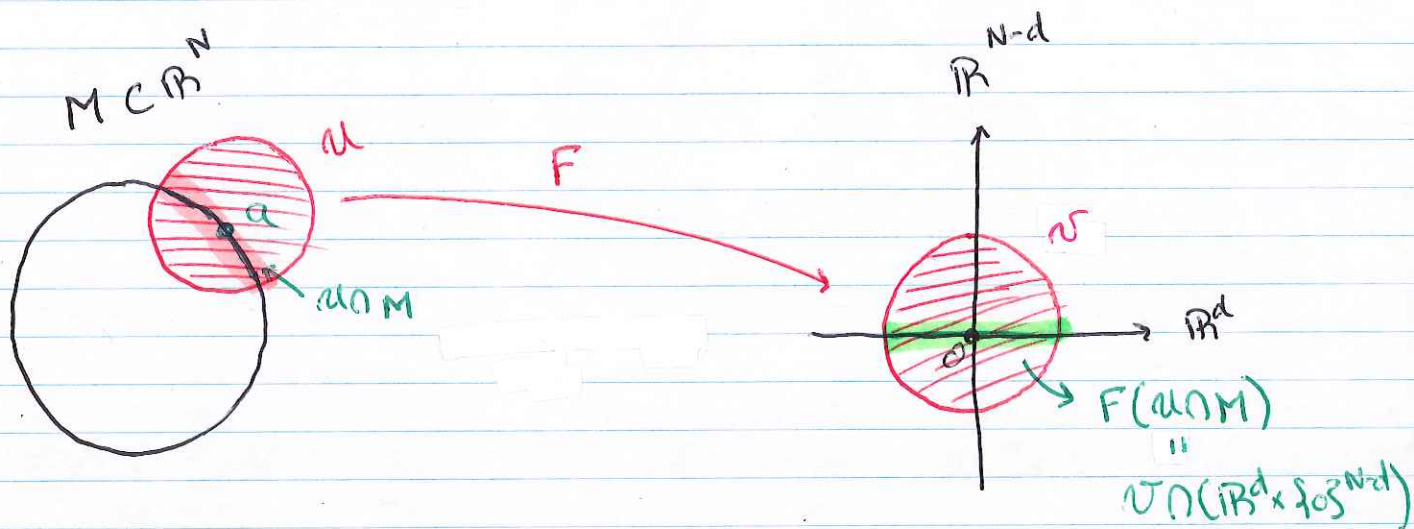
Moreover,  $F(U \cap M) = V \cap (\mathbb{R}^d \times \{0\}^{N-d})$  by definition of  $F$   $\square$

We say that  $M$  is a  $d$ -dim  $C^\pm$ -submanifold if it is everywhere regular of dim  $d$ .

Since "being  $C^\pm$ " is a local property, it allows to define

$C^\pm$ -functions defined on  $M$

Ex:



So if we have a function  $f: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , we may study

$$\tilde{f} = f \circ F^{-1}: F(U \cap M) = U \cap (\mathbb{R}^d \times \{0\}^{N-d}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

then we may see  $\tilde{f}$  as a function defined on  $\mathbb{R}^d$   
(locally) and do calculus ...

□ End of extra.

## Transformations / Change of coordinates

⚠ don't forget this assumption

Theorem:  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  open,  $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$   $C^\pm$  and injective

The following are equivalent:

(i)  $\forall x_0 \in U$ ,  $Df(x_0)$  is invertible

(ii)  $f(U)$  is open and  $f: U \rightarrow f(U)$  is a  $C^\pm$ -diffeomorphism

$i \Rightarrow ii$ :  $f: U \rightarrow f(U)$  is obviously a bijection

Let  $y_0 = f(x_0) \in f(U)$ . Since  $Df(x_0)$  is invertible, by

the inverse function theorem  $\exists M, N \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  open with  $x_0 \in M, y_0 \in N$  s.t.  $f: M \rightarrow N$  is a  $C^\pm$ -diffeo.

Then  $y_0 \in N = f(M) \subset f(U)$  with  $N$  open so  $\exists r > 0$  s.t.

$$B(y_0, r) \subset N \subset f(U)$$

Since it is true for any  $y_0 \in f(U)$ ,  $f(U)$  is open

Moreover since  $f^{-1}: N \rightarrow M$  is  $C^\pm$ ,  $f^{-1}$  is  $C^\pm$  at  $y_0$

$ii \Rightarrow i$ : we have  $f^{-1} \circ f = \text{id}$  so  $D(f^{-1})(f(x_0)) \cdot Df(x_0) = I_{m,m}$   
and  $Df(x_0)$  is invertible

□

⚠ The injective assumption is important:  $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  defined

by  $f(x, y) = (e^x \cos y, e^x \sin y)$  satisfies  $\forall (x_0, y_0) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

$Df(x_0, y_0)$  is invertible but is not injective.

Exercise 1:  $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $f(x, y) = (e^x \cos y, e^x \sin y)$

Let  $U = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : y \in (0, 2\pi)\}$

① Compute  $f(U)$

② Prove that  $f(U)$  is open and  $f: U \rightarrow f(U)$  is a  $C^\infty$ -diffeomorphism

③ If  $g = f^{-1}: f(U) \rightarrow U$ , compute  $Dg(0, 1)$

Exercise 2: let  $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  defined by  $f(x, y, z) = (e^{2y} + e^{2z}, e^{2x} - e^{2z}, x - y)$

Prove that  $f(\mathbb{R}^3) \subsetneq \mathbb{R}^3$

and that  $f(\mathbb{R}^3)$  is open

$C^{\pm}$ -diffeomorphisms are important because they allow to study a  $C^{\pm}$ -function after a change of coordinates

Indeed, let  $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$  be  $C^{\pm}$  with  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  open and let  $\varphi: V \rightarrow U$  be a  $C^{\pm}$ -diffeomorphism.

Then, if we set  $\tilde{f} = f \circ \varphi: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$  we have

$$\begin{cases} \tilde{f} = f \circ \varphi \\ f = \tilde{f} \circ \varphi^{-1} \end{cases}$$

so we may either study  $f$  or  $\tilde{f}$ .

Ex: polar coordinates

$$U = \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(x, 0) : x \leq 0\}, \quad V = \{(r, \theta) : r > 0, |\theta| < \pi\}$$

then  $\varphi: V \rightarrow U$  defined by  $\varphi(r, \theta) = (r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta)$

is a  $C^{\pm}$ -diffeomorphism.

Hence, instead of working with  $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$   $(x, y) \mapsto f(x, y)$

we may work with  $\tilde{f}: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$  defined by

$$\tilde{f}(r, \theta) = f(\varphi(r, \theta)) \quad (\text{which may be useful if } f \text{ is invariant w.r.t rotation centered at } 0)$$

It's common to simply write  $f(r, \theta)$  instead of  $f(\varphi(r, \theta))$

but be careful, that's an abuse of notation.