

# The Implicit Function Theorem and the Inverse Function Theorem

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**Exercise 1.** Let  $B = \overline{B}(a, r) \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $f : B \rightarrow B$  be a contraction mapping (i.e. a Lipschitz mapping with constant  $q \in [0, 1)$ , or equivalently  $\exists q \in [0, 1), \forall x, y \in B, \|f(x) - f(y)\| \leq q\|x - y\|$ ).

1. Prove that  $f$  is continuous.

We define a sequence inductively by picking  $x_0 \in B$  and then setting  $x_{n+1} = f(x_n)$ .

2. Prove that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 0}, \|x_{n+1} - x_n\| \leq q^n \|x_1 - x_0\|$ .

3. Prove that  $\forall m, n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 0}, m > n \implies \|x_m - x_n\| \leq \frac{q^n}{1-q} \|x_1 - x_0\|$ .

4. Prove that  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 0}}$  is a Cauchy sequence.

5. Prove that  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 0}}$  is convergent in  $B$ .

6. Prove that  $f$  admits a fixed point, i.e.  $\exists x \in B, f(x) = x$ .

7. Prove that  $f$  admits only one fixed point (i.e. if  $y \in B$  is another fixed of  $f$  point then  $x = y$ ).

You just proved the

**Theorem 2** (Banach fixed point theorem). A contraction mapping  $f : \overline{B}(a, r) \rightarrow \overline{B}(a, r)$  admits a unique fixed point.

**Exercise 3.** Let  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be an open subset containing  $\mathbf{0}$  and  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be a  $C^1$  function satisfying  $f(\mathbf{0}) = \mathbf{0}$  and  $Df(\mathbf{0}) = I_{n,n}$ .

1. Prove that there exists  $t > 0$  such that  $B(\mathbf{0}, t) \subset U$  and  $\forall x \in B(\mathbf{0}, t), \det(Df(x)) \neq 0$ .

2. Define  $F : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  by  $F(x) = f(x) - x$ .

(a) Compute  $DF(\mathbf{0})$ .

(b) Prove that there exists  $r \in (0, t)$  such that  $\forall x \in B(\mathbf{0}, r), \|DF(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{2}$ .

(c) Prove that there exists  $s \in (0, r)$  such that

$$\forall x, y \in \overline{B}(\mathbf{0}, s), \|F(x) - F(y)\| \leq \left( \sup_{z \in \overline{B}(\mathbf{0}, s)} \|DF(z)\| \right) \|x - y\|$$

Comment: we use the Frobenius norm for matrices as in PS4 (recall that  $\|AB\| \leq \|A\| \|B\|$ ).

(d) Prove that  $\forall x, y \in \overline{B}(\mathbf{0}, s), \|F(x) - F(y)\| \leq \frac{1}{2} \|x - y\|$ .

3. Let  $y \in B\left(\mathbf{0}, \frac{s}{2}\right)$ . Define  $\theta_y : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  by  $\theta_y(x) = y - F(x)$ .

(a) Prove that  $\theta_y\left(\overline{B}(\mathbf{0}, s)\right) \subset B(\mathbf{0}, s)$ .

(b) Prove that  $\theta_y : \overline{B}(\mathbf{0}, s) \rightarrow \overline{B}(\mathbf{0}, s)$  is a contraction mapping with constant  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

(c) We set  $V = B(\mathbf{0}, s) \cap f^{-1}\left(B\left(\mathbf{0}, \frac{s}{2}\right)\right)$  and  $W = B\left(\mathbf{0}, \frac{s}{2}\right)$ .

Prove that  $f : V \rightarrow W$  is a well-defined bijection between two open subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  containing  $\mathbf{0}$ .

4. (a) Prove that  $f^{-1} : W \rightarrow V$  is Lipschitz with constant 2 and then that it is continuous.

(b) Prove that  $f^{-1} : W \rightarrow V$  is differentiable.

(Hint: use the very definition of differentiability together with Question 1.)

(c) Prove that  $f^{-1} : W \rightarrow V$  is  $C^1$ .

(Hint: study  $D(f^{-1})$  using the Chain Rule.)

You just proved that

**Claim 4.** Let  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be an open subset containing  $\mathbf{0}$  and  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be of class  $C^1$  such that  $f(\mathbf{0}) = \mathbf{0}$  and  $Df(\mathbf{0}) = I_{n,n}$ . Then there exist  $V, W \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  two open subsets such that  $\mathbf{0} \in V \subset U$ ,  $\mathbf{0} \in W$  and  $f : V \rightarrow W$  is a  $C^1$ -diffeomorphism (i.e.  $f$  is  $C^1$ , bijective and  $f^{-1}$  is  $C^1$ ).

**Exercise 5.** Prove the Inverse Function Theorem (the statement is below).

(Hint: reduce to the case considered in the above claim.)

**Theorem 6** (The Inverse Function Theorem). Let  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  open,  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  of class  $C^1$  and  $a \in U$ . Assume that  $Df(a)$  is invertible.

Then there exist  $V, W \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  two open subsets such that  $a \in V \subset U$ ,  $f(a) \in W$  and  $f : V \rightarrow W$  is a  $C^1$ -diffeomorphism (i.e.  $f$  is  $C^1$ , bijective and  $f^{-1}$  is  $C^1$ ).

**Exercise 7.** Derive the Implicit Function Theorem from the Inverse Function Theorem (the statement is below).

**Theorem 8** (The Implicit Function Theorem).

Let  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $V \subset \mathbb{R}^p$  be two open subsets. Let  $(x_0, y_0) \in U \times V$ .

Let  $F : \begin{array}{ccc} U \times V & \rightarrow & \mathbb{R}^p \\ (x, y) & \mapsto & F(x, y) \end{array}$  be of class  $C^1$ .

If  $D_y F(x_0, y_0)$  is invertible then there exist  $r, s > 0$  such that  $B(x_0, r) \subset U$ ,  $B(y_0, s) \subset V$  and there exists  $\varphi : B(x_0, r) \rightarrow B(y_0, s)$  of class  $C^1$  such that

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