

Malgrange Preparation Theorem

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1. All Functions C^∞ All rings commutative with Id

Def: A germ is an equivalence class of functions:
representatives agree in the neighbourhood of some point.

E.g. $\mathcal{E}(n)$ ring of C^∞ germs: $(\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ at 0.

E.g. $\mathcal{E}(n) \supset \mathfrak{m}(n) = \{f \in \mathcal{E}(n) \mid f(0)=0\}$ is unique maximal ideal

E.g. $f : (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^p, 0) \Rightarrow f^* : \mathcal{E}(p) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(n)$ homomorphism

Def: $\tilde{f} : (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n, 0) \ni (t, x) \rightarrow f(t, x) \in \mathbb{R}$, is p -regular with respect to t :

if $\tilde{f}(0,0) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \tilde{f}(0,0) = \dots = \frac{\partial^{p-1}}{\partial t^{p-1}} \tilde{f}(0,0) = 0$, but $\frac{\partial^p}{\partial t^p} \tilde{f}(0,0) \neq 0$

2. Main Tools: Gen.Div.Thm and Nakayama Lemma

Generalized Division Theorem: Let $\tilde{f}, \tilde{g} \in \mathcal{E}(n+1)$ with \tilde{f} p -regular. Then $\exists \tilde{Q} \in \mathcal{E}(n+1)$ and $\tilde{h}_j \in \mathcal{E}(n)$, $j=1, \dots, p$, s.th.

$$\tilde{g} = \tilde{Q} \cdot \tilde{f} + \tilde{P}_h(t, x) \text{ where } \tilde{P}_h(t, x) = \sum_{j=1}^p \tilde{h}_j(x) t^{p-j}$$

Nakayama Lemma Given ring \mathcal{R} with unique maximal ideal \mathfrak{m} .

A is a fin.gen. \mathcal{R} -module, then $\mathfrak{m} \cdot A = A \Rightarrow A = 0$.

Corollary: B is \mathcal{R} -module and $B \subset A$ then $A = B + \mathfrak{m} \cdot A \Rightarrow A = B$.

3. Malgrange-Mather Prep Thm:

I. **Thm.** For \mathbf{A} finitely generated $\mathcal{E}(n)$ module:

\mathbf{A} is finite over $\mathcal{E}(p) \Leftrightarrow$ the v.space $\dim_{\mathbb{R}}(\mathbf{A}/(f^*m(p) \cdot \mathbf{A})) < \infty$

II. **Corollary:** $\{a_1, \dots, a_k\}$ generate \mathbf{A} as an $\mathcal{E}(p)$ -module

\Leftrightarrow they generate the real vector space $\mathbf{A}/(f^*m(p) \cdot \mathbf{A})$.

Remark :

- We'll see $I \Rightarrow II$ follows from Nakayama Lemma.
- We will often write $\mathcal{E}(p)$ -module for $f^*\mathcal{E}(p)$ -module.

4. Proof of Prep Thm I : \Rightarrow is easy

\mathbf{A} finite over $\mathcal{E}(p) \Rightarrow \bigoplus_{i=1}^k \mathcal{E}(p) \mapsto \mathbf{A}$ is epimorphism (onto)

$\Rightarrow \exists \mathbb{R}^k \cong \bigoplus_{i=1}^k \mathcal{E}(p)/m(p) \mapsto \mathbf{A}/(f^*m(p) \cdot \mathbf{A})$ is epi

Note: $\mathbf{A} = \langle a_1, \dots, a_k \rangle_{\mathcal{E}(p)} \Rightarrow \mathbf{A}/(f^*m(p) \cdot \mathbf{A}) =$

$\text{span}\{[a_1], \dots, [a_k]\}$ over $\mathcal{E}(p)/m(p) = \mathbb{R}$.

The other direction:

Case1: $n=p+1$ and $\tilde{f} : (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^p, 0) \ni (t, x) \rightarrow (x) \in (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$

is the projection onto the second factor.

5. Proof of the Prep Thm (Case1 : $n=p+1$)

Say $\mathbf{A} = \langle a_1, \dots, a_k \rangle_{\mathcal{E}(p+1)}$, $\mathbf{A}/(f^*m(p) \cdot \mathbf{A}) = \langle a_1, \dots, a_k \rangle_{\mathbb{R}}$.

$\implies \forall \mathbf{a} \in \mathbf{A}$, $\mathbf{a} = \sum_{j=1}^k c_j a_j + b a'$, where $c_j \in \mathbb{R}$, $b \in f^*m(p)$

and $\mathbf{A} \ni a' = \sum_{j=1}^k g_j a_j$, for $g_j \in \mathcal{E}(p+1)$;

Say $z_j := b g_j \in f^*m(p) \cdot \mathcal{E}(p+1) \implies \mathbf{a} = \sum_{j=1}^k c_j a_j + \sum_{j=1}^k z_j a_j$

For $\mathbf{a} = t a_i \implies t a_i = \sum_{j=1}^k (c_{ij} + z_{ij}) a_j$ (#)

Say $(\delta_{ij}) :=$ identity matrix and $\vec{a} := (a_1, \dots, a_k)$. Then (#) \implies

6. Still case 1

$$(t\delta_{ij} - c_{ij} - z_{ij}) \cdot \vec{a} = 0. \quad (\#\#)$$

Say $(b_{ij}) := (t\delta_{ij} - c_{ij} - z_{ij})$ and $(B_{ij}) := (b_{ij})^{\text{adjoint}} \implies$

$$(B_{ij}) \cdot (b_{ij}) = \det(b_{ij}) \cdot (\delta_{ij}) \quad (*)$$

$\det(t\delta_{ij} - c_{ij} - z_{ij}) =: \Delta(t, x)$ is a function of (t, x) .

$$(\#\#) \text{ and } (*) \implies \Delta \cdot \vec{a} = 0$$

Since $z_{ij}(t, 0) = 0$ and Δ is a monic polynomial in $t \implies$

$\det(t\delta_{ij} - c_{ij} - z_{ij})$ is **q-regular** at $(t, 0)$ for $q \leq k$.

7. End of step 1

$$\Delta \cdot \vec{a} = 0 \Rightarrow \Delta \cdot \mathbf{A} = 0 \Rightarrow$$

\mathbf{A} is a finite $\mathcal{E}(p+1)/\Delta \cdot \mathcal{E}(p+1)$ -module (assumed, $n=p+1$).

since Δ is q -regular, the Generalized Division Thm \Rightarrow

$$\mathcal{E}(p+1)/\Delta \cdot \mathcal{E}(p+1) = \langle 1, t, \dots, t^{q-1} \rangle_{\mathcal{E}(p)}.$$

since \mathbf{A} finite over $\mathcal{E}(p+1)/\Delta \cdot \mathcal{E}(p+1)$ and

$\mathcal{E}(p+1)/\Delta \cdot \mathcal{E}(p+1)$ is finite over $\mathcal{E}(p)$

$\Rightarrow \mathbf{A}$ is finite over $\mathcal{E}(p)$, completing **case 1**.

8. Case: \tilde{f} has rank= $n \leq p$ and on ...

Rank Thm: \exists coordinates s.th. $\tilde{f}: (x_1, \dots, x_n) \rightarrow (x_1, \dots, x_n, 0, \dots, 0)$

$\mathbb{R}^n \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^p \Rightarrow$ germs $\tilde{\phi}: (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ extend to $(\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$, i.e

$f^*: \mathcal{E}(p) \mapsto \mathcal{E}(n)$ is surjective and so

$\mathbf{A} = \langle a_1, \dots, a_k \rangle_{\mathcal{E}(n)} \implies \mathbf{A} = \langle a_1, \dots, a_k \rangle_{\mathcal{E}(p)}$.

General Case: maps $\tilde{f}: (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ are composites:

$$(\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \xrightarrow{(id, \tilde{f})} (\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^p, 0) \xrightarrow{pr_2} (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$$

(immersion followed by a sequence of n projections of **case1**).

9. Hence suffices to show (Prep Thm conclusion):

Property $\mathbb{M}(\tilde{f}) \quad \dim_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbf{A}/(f^*m(p) \cdot \mathbf{A}) < \infty \Rightarrow \mathbf{A}$ finite over $\mathcal{E}(p)$

$$(\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \xrightarrow{\tilde{f}} (\mathbb{R}^p, 0) \xrightarrow{\tilde{g}} (\mathbb{R}^q, 0)$$

$$\mathbb{M}(\tilde{f}) \text{ and } \mathbb{M}(\tilde{g}) \Rightarrow \mathbb{M}(\tilde{g} \circ \tilde{f}).$$

Assume \mathbf{A} finite over $\mathcal{E}(n)$ and $\dim_{\mathbb{R}}(\mathbf{A}/(\tilde{g} \circ \tilde{f})^*m(q) \cdot \mathbf{A}) < \infty$.

$$f^*g^*m(q) \subset f^*m(p) \Rightarrow \dim(\mathbf{A}/f^*m(p) \cdot \mathbf{A}) < \infty$$

Therefore using $\mathbb{M}(\tilde{f}) \Rightarrow \mathbf{A}$ is finite over $\mathcal{E}(p)$.

Next: $\mathbf{A}/g^*m(q) \cdot \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}/f^*g^*m(q) \cdot \mathbf{A}$, and is of finite dim.

Hence, $\mathbb{M}(\tilde{g}) \Rightarrow \mathbf{A}$ is finite over $\mathcal{E}(q)$.

Done. \checkmark

10. Prep Thm II:

$$\langle a_1, \dots, a_k \rangle_{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbf{A} \Leftrightarrow \langle a_1, \dots, a_k \rangle_{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbf{A} / (f^* m(p) \cdot \mathbf{A})$$

Proof: \Rightarrow is easy (as on page 4). Next \Leftarrow :

By Malg-Math Prep $\mathbf{A} / (f^* m(p) \cdot \mathbf{A}) = \langle a_1, \dots, a_k \rangle_{\mathbb{R}}$

$\Rightarrow \mathbf{A}$ is finite over $\mathcal{E}(p)$.

In particular, $\mathbf{A} = \langle a_1, \dots, a_k \rangle_{\mathcal{E}(p)} + m(p) \cdot \mathbf{A}$.

Nakayama Lemma $\Rightarrow \mathbf{A} = \langle a_1, \dots, a_k \rangle_{\mathcal{E}(p)}$. \checkmark

11. Special Case : $\mathbf{A} = \mathcal{E}(n)$

Def: $\mathcal{E}(n) \supset m(n)^k := k^{\text{th}}$ power of $m(n)$; $m(n)^\infty := \bigcap_{j=1}^{\infty} m(n)^j$

Def: $\widehat{\mathcal{E}(n)} := \mathcal{E}(n)/m(n)^\infty = \mathbb{R}[[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]] \ni \hat{f} \leftarrow \tilde{f} \in \mathcal{E}(n)$

$\Rightarrow \widehat{\mathcal{E}(n)} \supset \widehat{m(n)} := \{\hat{f} \in \widehat{\mathcal{E}(n)} \mid f(\hat{0}) = 0\}$ the unique max ideal.

Then $\mathcal{E}(n) \ni \tilde{f} \rightarrow \hat{f} \in \widehat{\mathcal{E}(n)}$ is the Taylor homomorphism and:

(i) $\widehat{\tilde{f} \cdot \tilde{g}} = \hat{f} \cdot \hat{g}$;

(ii) let $\hat{f} = p + m$ and $\hat{g} = q + r$, p, q Taylor polynomials of deg k

and $m, r \in m(n)^{k+1} \Rightarrow \hat{f} \cdot \hat{g} = \widehat{\tilde{f} \cdot \tilde{g}} = \widehat{p \cdot q} = p \cdot q \pmod{m(n)^{k+1}}$.

12. Preparation Theorem $\mathbf{A} = \mathcal{E}(n)$

Preparation Theorem (in the Malgrange Form):

f^* induces the homomorphism of power series $\hat{f}^*: \widehat{\mathcal{E}(p)} \rightarrow \widehat{\mathcal{E}(n)}$

The following statements are equivalent:

1. $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \in \mathcal{E}(n)$ generate $\mathcal{E}(n)$ as an $f^*\mathcal{E}(p)$ module.
2. $\hat{\phi}_1, \hat{\phi}_2, \dots, \hat{\phi}_k$ generate $\widehat{\mathcal{E}(n)}$ as an $\hat{f}^*\widehat{\mathcal{E}(p)}$ -module.
3. $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k$ generate $\mathcal{E}(n)/f^*m(p) \cdot \mathcal{E}(n)$ over \mathbb{R} .
4. $\hat{\phi}_1, \dots, \hat{\phi}_k$ are the generators of $\widehat{\mathcal{E}(n)}/\hat{f}^*\widehat{m(p)} \cdot \widehat{\mathcal{E}(n)}$ over \mathbb{R} .

13. Easy implications

- $1 \Rightarrow 2$ direct, $1 \Leftrightarrow 3$ is the Malg. Preparation theorem.

- $2 \Rightarrow 4$ is easy and direct from def.

- $3 \Rightarrow 4$ Since $\mathcal{E}(n) = \phi_1 \cdot \mathbb{R} + \dots + \phi_k \cdot \mathbb{R} + f^* m(p) \cdot \mathcal{E}(n)(\diamond)$

apply Taylor homomorphism $\mathcal{T} : \mathcal{E}(n) \rightarrow \widehat{\mathcal{E}(n)}$, which is onto (Thm.

due to Borel) $\implies \hat{\phi}_1 \cdot \mathbb{R} + \dots + \hat{\phi}_k \cdot \mathbb{R} + \hat{f}^* \widehat{m(p)} \cdot \widehat{\mathcal{E}(n)} = \widehat{\mathcal{E}(n)}$.

- $4 \Rightarrow 3$ $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} \mathcal{E}(n) / (\dots) < \infty$, where $(\dots) := (m(p) \cdot \mathcal{E}(n) + m(n)^\infty)$.

14. Proof of $4 \Rightarrow 3$, i.e (formal) \Rightarrow (in germs)

$$\Rightarrow \exists k \text{ such that } m(n)^k + (\dots)/(\dots) = m(n)^{k+1} + (\dots)/(\dots)$$

$$\iff m(n)^k + (\dots) = m(n)^{k+1} + (\dots) (**)$$

$$\Rightarrow m(n)^k + B = m(n)^{k+1} + B, \text{ where } B := m(p)\mathcal{E}(n) \subset$$

$$A := m(n)^k + B \Rightarrow A = B + m(n)A \text{ and}$$

$$\text{Nakayama Lemma } \Rightarrow B = A, \text{ i.e. } m(p)\mathcal{E}(n) = m(n)^k + m(p)\mathcal{E}(n) \Rightarrow$$

$$m(p)\mathcal{E}(n) = (\dots) \Rightarrow \mathcal{E}(n)/m(p)\mathcal{E}(n) \cong \mathcal{E}(n)/(\dots) \cong \widehat{\mathcal{E}(n)}/\widehat{m(p)\mathcal{E}(n)}$$

and is, therefore, generated by $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k$ over \mathbb{R} . \square

15. Proof of Nakayama's Lemma and its corollary

Cor: $A \subset B + m \cdot A \Rightarrow A/B \subset (B + mA)/B = m(A/B)$.

By Nakayama, $A/B = 0$ and so $A = B$. \checkmark

Proof of the Lemma: $\forall z \in m$, $1+z$ is a unit.

If $A = \langle a_1, \dots, a_n \rangle_{\mathcal{R}}$, then $\exists z_{ij} \in m$ s.th. $a_i = \sum_{j=1}^n z_{ij} a_j$.

In matrix form, $a = Za$, i.e. $(Z - \text{Id})a = 0$.

$\det(Z - \text{Id})$ is the char. polynomial at 1 and $= \pm 1 + z$, $z \in m$

$\implies Z - \text{Id}$ is invertible. Hence $a = (a_1, \dots, a_n) = 0$ and $A = 0$. \checkmark