

MA40254 DIFFERENTIAL AND GEOMETRIC ANALYSIS : EXERCISES 3

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0 (Warmup). Show that $M := \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : y = x^2\}$ is a 1-dimensional submanifold of \mathbb{R}^2 .

[**Solution:** M is the graph of the smooth function $h: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with $h(x) = x^2$. Thus there is a parametrization $\varphi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow M$ with $\varphi(x) = (x, x^2)$. This is a diffeomorphism because $F: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with $F(x, y) = x$ is smooth and $F|_M = \varphi^{-1}$. Alternatively, we can apply the Regular Value Theorem: $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with $f(x, y) = y - x^2$ is smooth and $Df_{(x,y)}$ is represented by the matrix $[-2x \ 1]$. This is nonzero for all (x, y) so 0 is a regular value and hence $M = f^{-1}(0)$ is a 1-dimensional submanifold of \mathbb{R}^2 . This is related to the first approach, because close to the origin, the proof of the regular value theorem gives a parametrization using the graph of h .]

1. Let $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be open, and let $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be a twice differentiable function such that Df_x is invertible at $x \in U$. Let K be the operator norm of $(Df_x)^{-1}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ and N the supremum of the operator norm of $D(Df)_z: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n)$ for $z \in U$ (where $\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n)$ is itself equipped with the operator norm).

Suppose that $0 < \delta < 1/(2KN)$ and the open ball $B_\delta(x)$ is contained in U .

(i) Let $\tilde{f} := (Df_x)^{-1} \circ f$. Show that the image $\tilde{f}(B_\delta(x))$ contains $B_{\delta/4}(\tilde{f}(x))$.

[**Hint:** Apply the Mean Value Inequality to Df and use Lemma 1.22.]

(ii) Show that the image $f(B_\delta(x))$ contains the ball $B_{\delta/(4K)}(f(x))$.

[**Hint:** What can you say about the image of $B_{\delta/(4K)}(f(x))$ under $(Df_x)^{-1}$?

2. Consider parametrisations of φ of $S^n := \{y \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} : \|y\| = 1\}$ that are “graphs over a coordinate plane” in the following sense: $\varphi: B^n \rightarrow U$, for $B^n := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \|x\| < 1\}$ and $U \subset S^n$ some open subset, and all but one of the $n+1$ components of $\varphi(x)$ is equal to a component of x (e.g., φ could be of the form $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mapsto (x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, g(x_1, \dots, x_n), x_i, \dots, x_n)$). How many parametrisations of this form are required for the images U to cover S^n ?

[**Hint:** If $e_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ is one of the $n+1$ basis vectors, how many parametrisations of the given type have e_i (or $-e_i$) contained in their image?]

3. Define two parametrisations $\varphi_+, \varphi_-: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow S^n$ as follows. For $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, consider the line L_\pm in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} that contains $(x, 0)$ and $(0, \pm 1)$, and let $\varphi_\pm(x)$ be the intersection point (other than $(0, \pm 1)$) of L_\pm with S^n .

Show that

$$\varphi_\pm(x) = \frac{1}{1 + \|x\|^2} \left(2x, \pm(\|x\|^2 - 1) \right).$$

What are the images U_\pm of φ_\pm ?

[**Hint:** Parametrize L_\pm by $t \in \mathbb{R}$ and find $y \in L_\pm$ with $\|y\|^2 = 1$. This should give a quadratic equation for t —one solution gives the point $(0, \pm 1)$ and the other is $\varphi_\pm(x)$.]

4. Let k be a positive integer, and let $M = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x^k + y^k + z^k = 1\}$.

(i) Show that M is a submanifold of \mathbb{R}^3 .

[**Hint:** Show that 1 is a regular value of $(x, y, z) \mapsto x^k + y^k + z^k$.]

(ii) Show that if k is even then M is diffeomorphic to S^2 .

[**Hint:** To see the difference between when k is even or odd, it may be helpful to draw a sketch of the set $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^k + y^k = 1\}$ for $k = 1, 2, 3, 4$. Now you need to find a smooth function $f : M \rightarrow S^2$ with a smooth inverse $g : S^2 \rightarrow M$. To do this, find explicitly smooth maps $F : \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow S^2$ and $G : \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow M$ such that the restriction of F to M and the restriction of G to S^2 are inverses.]

5. Fix $k > 0$, and define $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$f(x, y, z) = \frac{x^2 + y^2}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + k)^2}.$$

What are the regular values of f ? For each regular value q of f , describe $f^{-1}(q)$.

[**Hint:** First identify the points where $\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = 0$, then identify which of those have $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 0$ too.]