

HW2 - Singularity theory

Ex 1: $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ open, $0 \in U$, $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ smooth, $\psi: U \rightarrow U$ local diffeo + $\psi(0) = 0$.
 0 is a critical point of f , i.e. $Df(0) = 0$.

$$g: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad g(y) := f(\psi(y)).$$

Show: $D^2g(0)$ and $D^2f(0)$ have the same rank and index.

Goal: $D^2(f \circ \psi)(0) = \underbrace{(D\psi)^t(0)}_{\text{inv}} D^2f(0) \underbrace{D\psi(0)}_{\text{inv}} - (*)$

$$(C^t A C)_{ij} = ?$$

$$(A C)_{ij} = \sum_k a_{ik} \cdot c_{kj} \quad \leadsto \quad (C^t A C)_{ij} = \sum_e \underbrace{c_{ie}^t}_{c_{ei}} \cdot \sum_k a_{ek} c_{kj} = \sum_{k,e} c_{ei} a_{ek} c_{kj}.$$

Then, since $(D\psi)_{ij} = \frac{\partial \psi_i}{\partial x_j}$, on the right of \otimes we have:

$$\sum_{k, \ell} \frac{\partial \psi_\ell(0)}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_\ell \partial x_k}(0) \frac{\partial \psi_k(0)}{\partial x_j}.$$

On the other hand, on the left of \otimes we have:

$$\left(D^2(f \circ \psi)(0) \right)_{ij} = \left(\frac{\partial^2 (f \circ \psi)}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}(0) \right) = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\frac{\partial (f \circ \psi)}{\partial x_j} \right)(0) \right) =$$

$$= \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\sum_k \frac{\partial f \circ \psi}{\partial x_k} \cdot \frac{\partial \psi_k}{\partial x_j} \right)(0) \right) =$$

$$= \left(\sum_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\left(\frac{\partial f \circ \psi}{\partial x_k} \right)(0) \cdot \frac{\partial \psi_k}{\partial x_j}(0) + \underbrace{\frac{\partial f \circ \psi(0)}{\partial x_k} \cdot (\dots)}_0 \right) \right) =$$

$$= \left(\sum_{\ell, k} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_k} \right) \psi(0) \cdot \frac{\partial \psi_\ell}{\partial x_i}(0) \cdot \frac{\partial \psi_k}{\partial x_j}(0) \right) = \left(\sum_{k, \ell} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_\ell \partial x_k}(0) \frac{\partial \psi_\ell(0)}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial \psi_k(0)}{\partial x_j} \right).$$

Exercise 2: $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x,y) = x^2 - y^2 - xy^2 + x^2y$.

(a) What are the rank and the index of $D^2f(0)$?

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2x - y^2 + 2xy, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -2y - 2xy + x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow D^2f(x,y) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 + 2y & -2y + 2x \\ -2y + 2x & -2 - 2x \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow D^2f(0,0) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{rk} = 2 \\ \text{index} = 1 \end{array}$$

(b) Show that \exists local diffeo φ at 0 in \mathbb{R}^2 which transforms f into $g: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $g(x,y) = x^2 - y^2$.

Morse Lemma: $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ smooth at 0 with $f(0) = 0$. Then:

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 \mathbb{R}^n

0 is a non-deg critical point $\Leftrightarrow \exists \psi$ local diffeo of \mathbb{R}^n around 0, $\psi(0) = 0$, s.th.

$$f(\psi(x_1, \dots, x_n)) = x_1^2 + \dots + x_k^2 - x_{k+1}^2 - \dots - x_n^2$$

where $n-k = \text{index of } (D^2f)(0)$.

In our case: $(x, y) \rightsquigarrow f(\psi(x, y)) = x^2 - y^2$.

Are we under the hypotheses of Morse Lemma?

• f smooth in 0 ✓

• $f(0) = 0$ ✓

• $Df(0) = (0, 0)$, $D^2f(0)$ has max $r < k$ ✓

\Rightarrow we get the statement.

Explicit diffeo?

$$f(x, y) = x^2 - y^2 - xy^2 + x^2y = x^2(1+y) - y^2(1+x)$$

\leadsto define $\psi: B_\varepsilon(0) \rightarrow B_\varepsilon(0)$ $|\varepsilon| < 1$

$$(x, y) \mapsto (x\sqrt{1+y}, y\sqrt{1+x})$$

$$g(x, y) = x^2 - y^2, \quad g: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

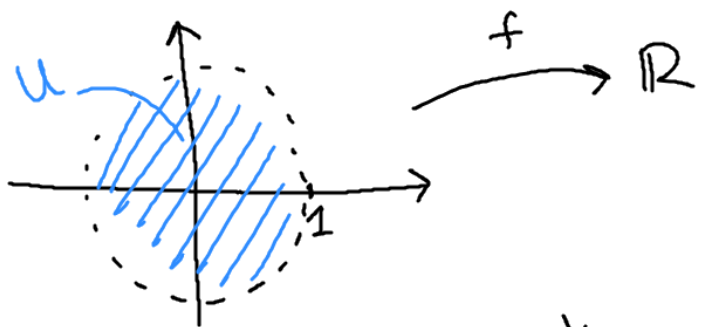
$$g \circ \psi(x, y) = g(x\sqrt{1+y}, y\sqrt{1+x}) = x^2(1+y) - y^2(1+x) = f(x, y).$$

Is ψ a local diffeo around 0? Compute $D\psi$:

$$D\psi = \begin{pmatrix} (1+y)^{1/2} & \frac{1}{2}x(1+y)^{-1/2} \\ \frac{1}{2}y(1+x)^{-1/2} & (1+x)^{1/2} \end{pmatrix} \leadsto D\psi(0,0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \checkmark.$$

$\uparrow \det \neq 0$

Exercise 3:



$$f(x, y) = \sqrt{1 - x^2 - y^2}.$$

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 $(1 - x^2 - y^2)^{1/2}$

$$(a) \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{2} (1 - x^2 - y^2)^{-1/2} (-2/x) = \frac{-x}{\sqrt{1 - x^2 - y^2}}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -\frac{y}{\sqrt{1 - x^2 - y^2}}$$

$$(Df)(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = (0, 0) \iff \bar{x} = \bar{y} = 0 \iff \begin{matrix} (0, 0) \\ \text{"} \\ 0 \in U \end{matrix} \text{ is the only critical point.}$$

(b) $(x_0, y_0) \in U \setminus \text{Crit}(f)$. Construct a local diffeo around (x_0, y_0) which transforms f into a linear function.

$(x_0, y_0) \neq (0, 0)$, wlog $y_0 \neq 0$.

We would like to apply:

Lemma 1.7: $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ star shaped with center $0 \in U$. $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ smooth,

(lecture 3) $f(0) = 0$. Then:

$Df(0) \neq 0 \iff \exists$ local diffeo φ at 0 , $\varphi(0) = 0$, s.th.
 $f(\varphi(\underline{y})) = y_1 \quad \forall \underline{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in V \subseteq U$
 \downarrow
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Rmk: $U = \text{blue circle}$ is star shaped wrt any $(x_0, y_0) \in U$ \checkmark .

Rmk: Our f does not fit the hypotheses of Lemma 1.7 ($Df(0) = 0$).

$(x_0, y_0) \in U$ as before ($y_0 \neq 0$).

Consider: $F(x, y) := f(x + x_0, y + y_0) - \underbrace{f(x_0, y_0)}_{c \in \mathbb{R}}$

then: (1) $F(0, 0) = 0$

$$(2) DF = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x + x_0, y + y_0) \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x + x_0, y + y_0) \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow DF(0) = Df(x_0, y_0) \neq (0, 0) \cdot \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ (x_0, y_0) \notin \text{Crit}(f) \end{matrix}$$

Lemma 1.7

$$\Downarrow \Rightarrow \exists \psi: V \rightarrow V, \psi(0) = 0, F(\psi(x, y)) = x \quad \forall (x, y) \in V.$$

$$\uparrow \text{ Expl: } \psi(x, y) = (\underbrace{F(x, y)}_{\psi_1(x, y)}, \underbrace{x}_{\psi_2(x, y)})$$

(look inside the proof of Lemma 1.7)

Then: $x = F(\psi(x,y)) = f(\psi_1(x,y) + x_0, \psi_2(x,y) + y_0) - c$

Call: $\tilde{\psi}(x,y) = (\psi_1(x,y) + x_0, \psi_2(x,y) + y_0)$ local diffeo

and

$(f \circ \tilde{\psi})(x,y) = x + c$ linear. ("affine" in the language of linear algebra)

where: $\tilde{\psi}(x,y) = \left(\underbrace{f(x+x_0, y+y_0) - c + x_0}_{\sqrt{1 - (x+x_0)^2 - (y+y_0)^2}}, x + y_0 \right).$