

REGULAR VALUE THEOREM (RVT)

If q is a regular value of $F: M \rightarrow N$

($p \in F^{-1}(q) \Rightarrow F_*: T_p M \rightarrow T_{F(p)} N$ is onto (has rank = n))

then $F^{-1}(q)$ is an embedded submanifold of dimension equal to $\dim(M) - \dim(N)$.

SARD'S THEOREM

Almost every $q \in N$ is a regular value of $F: M \rightarrow N$.

Example $F: \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$(x^1, \dots, x^{n+1}) \mapsto (x^1)^2 + \dots + (x^{n+1})^2$$

Claim every $c \neq 0$ is a regular value of F .

For all $x \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$

$$[F_*] = \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial x^j}(x) \right) = (2x^1, \dots, 2x^{n+1})$$

- If $c < 0$, then $F^{-1}(c) = \emptyset$ and c regular by default.
- $F^{-1}(0) = \bar{0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ and $[F_*] = (0, \dots, 0)$ has rank 0.
So 0 is a critical value.

• For $c > 0$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}x \in F^{-1}(c) &\Leftrightarrow (x^1)^2 + \dots + (x^{n+1})^2 = c \\&\Rightarrow x^i \neq 0 \text{ for some } i \\&\Rightarrow [F_x] \text{ has rank } 1.\end{aligned}$$

Hence each $c > 0$ is a regular value.

Note $F^{-1}(1) = S^n$.

Lie Groups.

Let $M_{n \times n} = \{ A \mid A \text{ is } n \times n \text{ matrix} \}$.

As a set $M_{n \times n}$ is in bijection with \mathbb{R}^{n^2} .

List $(a_{ij}) = (a_{11}, a_{12}, \dots, a_{n-1,n}, a_{nn})$

So, $M_{n \times n}$ can be given the structure of a smooth mfd.

(Has atlas with one chart $(M_{n \times n}, \text{List})$)

Ex 1 Consider $SL(n) = \{ A \in M_{n \times n} \mid \det(A) = 1 \}$

$SL(n)$ is called the special linear group.

Note $A, B \in SL(n) \Rightarrow AB \in SL(n)$ since
 $\det(AB) = \det(A) \det(B) = 1$

Also $A \in SL(n) \Rightarrow A^{-1} \in SL(n)$ since

$$AA^{-1} = I_n \Rightarrow \det(A) \det(A^{-1}) = 1$$

$SL(n)$ with usual matrix multiplication is a group.

Claim $SL(n)$ is also a manifold. (Lie group)

Pf Suffices to show 1 is a regular value of the map

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F : M_{n \times n} & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{R} \\ A & \longmapsto & \det(A) \end{array}$$

$$\text{(i.e. } SL(n) = F^{-1}(1) \text{)}$$

Let's prove this for the case $n=2$.

$$F \circ \text{List}^{-1}(x^1, x^2, x^3, x^4) = \det \begin{pmatrix} x^1 & x^2 \\ x^3 & x^4 \end{pmatrix} = x^1 x^4 - x^2 x^3.$$

$$[F_\nu] = (x^4, -x^3, -x^2, x^1) \quad \text{at } A = \begin{pmatrix} x^1 & x^2 \\ x^3 & x^4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} x^1 & x^2 \\ x^3 & x^4 \end{pmatrix} \in F^{-1}(1) \Rightarrow x^1 x^4 - x^2 x^3 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x^i \neq 0 \text{ for some } i$$

$\Rightarrow F_*$ has rank 1.

Remark 1 $SL(n)$ is a manifold of dimension $n^2 - 1$.

For example $SL(2) \simeq S^1 \times \mathbb{R}^2$

Remark 2 The group structure and manifold structure are compatible

For each $B \in SL(n)$ the (group) map

$$\begin{aligned} F_B: SL(n) &\longrightarrow SL(n) \\ A &\longmapsto BA \end{aligned}$$

is a diffeomorphism.

smooth: each entry of BA is a lin comb of entries of A .

invertible: $(F_B)^{-1} = F_{B^{-1}}$, smooth for same reason.

Ex 2 Consider $O(n) = \{ A \in M_{n \times n} \mid A^T A = I_n \}$.

Exercise $O(2) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \mid \theta \in [0, 2\pi) \right\} \leftrightarrow S^1$

$O(n)$ is called the orthogonal **group**.

$$\begin{aligned}
 A, B \in O(n) &\Rightarrow (AB)^T(AB) = B^T A^T A B \\
 &= B^T I_n B \\
 &= I_n
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow AB \in O(n)$$

Exercise Prove $A \in O(n)$ is invertible and $A^{-1} \in O(n)$.

Claim $O(n)$ is a manifold.

Pf (Idea) $O(n) = F^{-1}(I_n)$ where

$$F: M_{n \times n} \longrightarrow M_{n \times n}$$

$$A \longmapsto A^T A$$

Problem I_n is not a regular value of this map!

(If it were, then $O(n)$ would be 0-dimensional)

• Observe that $(A^T A)^T = A^T A$.

• Change target of F to $\text{Sym}(n) = \{B \in M_{n \times n} \mid B = B^T\}$

$\text{Sym}(n)$ is a vector space isomorphic to $\mathbb{R}^{(n+(n-1)+\dots+1)} = \mathbb{R}^{\frac{(n+1)n}{2}}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{13} & a_{23} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} \longleftrightarrow (a_{11}, a_{12}, a_{13}, a_{22}, a_{23}, a_{33})$$

$$\frac{(3+1)(3)}{2} = 6$$

Claim: \mathbb{I}_n is a regular value of the map

$$M_{n \times n} \longrightarrow \text{Sym}(n)$$

$$A \longmapsto A^T A.$$

Hence $O(n)$ is a manifold of dimension $n^2 - \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = \frac{n^2}{2} - \frac{n}{2}$.