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For example

1) $\hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$



is an immersion, but not an embedding

2) $S^1 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}^1$ is an embedding

3) $S^n \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ is an embedding

4) $S^{2n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^n$ is a submersion (also a fiber bundle)

$\mathbb{C}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^n$ is too

Theorem (Local Embedding Theorem)

If $f: M \rightarrow N$ is smooth, then f is an immersion iff it is a local embedding.

Pf Exercise. □

§ Submanifolds

As we've already seen, it's frequently important to understand manifolds which "sit inside" other manifolds.

Def. An embedded submanifold of M is a subspace S with a smooth structure, with respect to which the inclusion $S \hookrightarrow M$ is a smooth embedding.

• The difference in dimension $\dim(M) - \dim(S)$ is called the codimension of S in M .

Examples1) Graphs of smooth functions

Let $f: M \rightarrow N$ be smooth. The space

$\Gamma(f) = \{(x, y) \mid x \in M, y = f(x)\} \subset M \times N$
is an embedded submfd.

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The map

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_f: M &\longrightarrow M \times N \\ p &\longmapsto (p, f(p)) \end{aligned}$$

is smooth.

Since

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M & \xrightarrow{\gamma_f} & M \times N & \xrightarrow{\pi_M} & M \\ & & \searrow \text{Id} & \nearrow & \end{array}$$

$d\gamma_f$ must be injective at each pt of M .
Thus, γ_f is a smooth immersion, which is a
homeomorphism onto its image since π_M is
a continuous inverse. \square

2) $S^n \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ is embedded ... graph of

$$(x_1, \dots, x_n) \longmapsto (x_1, \dots, x_n, \sqrt{1 - |x|^2})$$

for $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \left\{ \text{Ball of radius } \frac{1}{2} \right\}$

3) Appropriate Level Sets of smooth functions $M \xrightarrow{f} N$

Let $f: M \rightarrow N$ and $c \in N$. The level set of f at c
is the set $f^{-1}(c)$.

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Theorem (Constant rank Level Set theorem)

Let $f: M \rightarrow N$ be smooth of constant rank r .
 Each level set of f is an embedded submfd
 of $\dim = r$.

pf Let $c \in N$ be given, $S = f^{-1}(c)$
 Since f is constant rank, about each point $p \in S$,
 we can find a chart α where f looks like

$$f(x^1, \dots, x^r, x^{r+1}, \dots, x^m) = (x^1, \dots, x^r, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{n\text{-zeros}}).$$

$p = (0, \dots, 0) \quad c = (0, \dots, 0)$

In this chart, we have

$$S \cap U = \{ (x^1, \dots, x^r, x^{r+1}, \dots, x^m) \in U \mid x^1 = \dots = x^r = 0 \}$$

This means that S satisfies the "local k -slice condition" (see your book), which implies that it is an embedded submfd. □

(Idea of local k -slice ... paste things together). □

Theorem (Submersion Level Set Theorem)

Let $f: M \rightarrow N$ be a smooth submersion. If $p \in N$, the level set $f^{-1}(p)$ is a smooth submfd of M . □

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We can actually generalize this quite a bit

Defⁿ Let $f: M \rightarrow N$ be smooth. A point $p \in M$ is regular if the differential df_p is surjective. It is critical otherwise.

Note:) If $\dim(M) < \dim(N)$, then $\text{Crit}_p = M$.

Defⁿ A regular value of a smooth map $f: M \rightarrow N$ is any point $c \in N$ st $f^{-1}(c)$ consists only of regular points. It is critical otherwise.

Note: Any point $p \in N$ missed by f is ~~critical~~ regular.

Theorem (Regular Value theorem)

If c is a regular value of $f: M \rightarrow N$ (smooth), then $f^{-1}(c)$ is an embedded submfd of M .

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As we showed previously, the set of points $p \in M$ for which $\text{rank}_f(p) = n$ is open in M . Thus it forms a submanifold, call it U .

Further, by ~~as~~ the defⁿ of regular value, the subset $f^{-1}(c)$ is contained in this submfd.

If we restrict f to the subset U , then

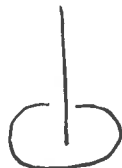
$f|_U: U \rightarrow N$
is a smooth submersion

Thus, by the previous theorem $f^{-1}(c) \subset U \subset M$ is an embedded submanifold.



Ex: 1) The map $S^3 \xrightarrow{H} S^2$ is a submersion.

The preimages of points in S^2 look like linked unknots in S^3



2) Let $d(x) = (x^1)^2 + \dots + (x^n)^2$ be the "distance from the origin squared function" on \mathbb{R}^n .

$$d: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$J(d)_x = (2x^1, \dots, 2x^n) \Rightarrow \text{All points but } \bar{0} \text{ are regular}$$

$\Rightarrow d^{-1}(r)$ is an embedded submfd for $r \neq 0$.

Remark: Your book containing a discussion of "immersed submanifolds". These are nothings more than 1-1 immersions

Ex Irrationally sloped curve on T^2

The difference between immersed vs ~~embed~~ embedded submanifolds is whether or not their topology is given by the subspace topology.

Tangent spaces to submanifolds

As we mentioned previously, if $M \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ is an embedded submanifold, then we know how to make sense of

$$T_p M \subset T_p \mathbb{R}^N.$$

its just the set of vectors which are literally tangent to M

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More generally, suppose that $S \xrightarrow{i} M$ is an embedded submanifold. Then, at each point $p \in S$, the inclusion gives an injection on the level of tangent spaces

$$d\iota_p: T_p S \longrightarrow T_p M$$

As derivations, we have if $f \in C^\infty(M)$, $v \in T_p S$,

$$\begin{aligned} \iota_{*}(v)(f) &= v(f \circ \iota) \\ &= v(f|_S) \end{aligned}$$

Proposition: Let $S \subset M$ be an embedded submfd, $p \in S$.

As a subspace of $T_p M$, the space $T_p S$ is given by

$$T_p S = \{ v \in T_p M \mid v(f) = 0 \text{ whenever } f \in C^\infty(M) \text{ satisfies } f|_S = 0. \}$$

Proof (\Rightarrow) Let $v \in T_p S$, $f \in C^\infty(M)$, $f|_S = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \quad "v(f)" &= \iota_{*}(v)(f) = v(f \circ \iota) \\ &= v(f|_S) \\ &= v(0) \\ &= 0_p \end{aligned}$$

(\Leftarrow) Let $v \in T_p M$ and suppose $v(f) = 0$ whenever $f|_S = 0$.

Want a vector $w \in T_p S$ so that $v = \iota_{*}(w)$.

Let (U, φ) be a coordinate system about p

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in which $S \cap U$ is given by

$$S \cap U = \{(x^1, \dots, x^n) \mid x^{R+1} = \dots = x^n = 0\}$$

Then the inclusion is given (in appropriate coords)

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$$(x^1, \dots, x^R) \longmapsto (x^1, \dots, x^R, 0, \dots, 0)$$

In these coords, we have that the subspace

$$T_p S \subset T_p M$$

is spanned by

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^R}.$$

In other words, if $v = v^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} + \dots + v^n \frac{\partial}{\partial x^n} \in T_p M$,
then $v \in T_p S$ iff $v^{R+1} = \dots = v^n = 0$.

Let $f = \varphi(\bar{x}) x^j$, where $\varphi(\bar{x})$ is a bump function
with $\text{supp}(\varphi) \subset U$, extended to be zero on $M - U$.

Then $f|_S \equiv 0$.

We compute

$$0 = v(f) = v^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} (f) = \cancel{v^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} (\varphi(\bar{x}))} v^j \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \right|_p \varphi(\bar{x}) x^j}_{1 \text{ or } 0}$$

$\Rightarrow v \in T_p S.$



One important example where the above comes up
is the boundary of a mfd with boundary.