

An Introduction to Smooth Manifolds
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Lecture 26
Hypersurfaces

So, hello and welcome to the 26th lecture in the series. And last time I was still in process of describing various examples, important examples which arise from the regular value theorem. So, the last thing I had started on was the graph of a smooth function.

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by $\varphi(x, t) = f(x) - t$
 then $\varphi^{-1}(0) = \text{graph of } f$.

Let $p \in \varphi^{-1}(0) = S$.

$$d\varphi_p: \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$d\varphi_p(0, 1) = \left. \frac{d}{dt} \varphi(p + t(0, 1)) \right|_{t=0}$$

$$p = (x, f(x)) \quad = \left. \frac{d}{dt} \varphi(x, f(x) + t) \right|_{t=0}$$

$$= \left. \frac{d}{dt} (f(x) + t - f(x)) \right|_{t=0}$$

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\therefore The graph is a submanifold.

Well, the setup was I had an open set U in \mathbb{R}^n and a smooth function f from U , graph is the set of points $X = (x, F(x))$ in $\mathbb{R}^n + 1$. Now, I would like to describe this as the level set of a function which is defined on $U \times \mathbb{R}$ notice that $U \times \mathbb{R}$ is an open subset of $\mathbb{R}^n + 1$.

So, on this open subset I put this function ϕ of X is equal to $F(x) - S$. Then $\phi^{-1}(0)$ is the graph of F . Now, so let us on it. So, let us now put it in the framework of the regular value theorem and prove that this is indeed a sub manifold of $\mathbb{R}^n + 1$. So, for that, all I need to do is check that the derivative of this, which is again a map just as in the previous case of SLNR, this derivative is now a map from $\mathbb{R}^n + 1$ to \mathbb{R} .

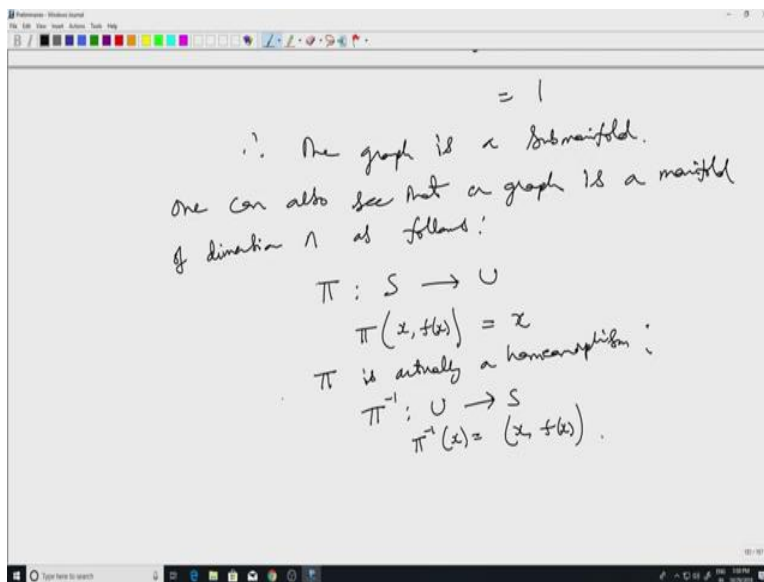
So, I just have to check that it is a non-zero map. So, I have to find one vector where it is non-zero. So, let us see what the derivative actually looks like, let P belong to $\phi^{-1}(0)$ equal to S . So, I just have to check $d\phi$ at P from $\mathbb{R}^n + 1$ to \mathbb{R} . I have to look at the rank of this linear transformation. And since the target is 1 dimensional I just, it is enough to show if I can find a single vector in $\mathbb{R}^n + 1$ whose image is non-zero.

Then I know that this map is surjective. So, in fact let us just take this $d\phi_P$ of the vector $(0, 1)$. So, first n coordinates are 0 and the last coordinate is 1. Now, this in order to calculate this, I will take a curve passing through the point P in the direction $(0, 1)$ compose it with ϕ and calculate the derivative. So, this is $D_t \phi(P + t(0, 1))$ evaluated as t equals 0.

And that is the same as $d\phi_P$ of well, so here now let me take this point P in S has two coordinates, one, let us call it α , $F(\alpha)$, then $P + t(0, 1)$ will be $(\alpha, F(\alpha) + t)$ at t equal to 0. And that is the same as going by the definition of ϕ it is just the second coordinate minus F of the first coordinate. $F(\alpha) + t - F(\alpha)$ at t equals 0. Now, I am just left with t , derivative of t , which is 1.

So, you immediately see that the 0 is a regular value of this map ϕ of this function ϕ . And the graph is a level set of this corresponding to this regular value. So, therefore, it is a sub manifold. Therefore, the graph is a sub manifold.

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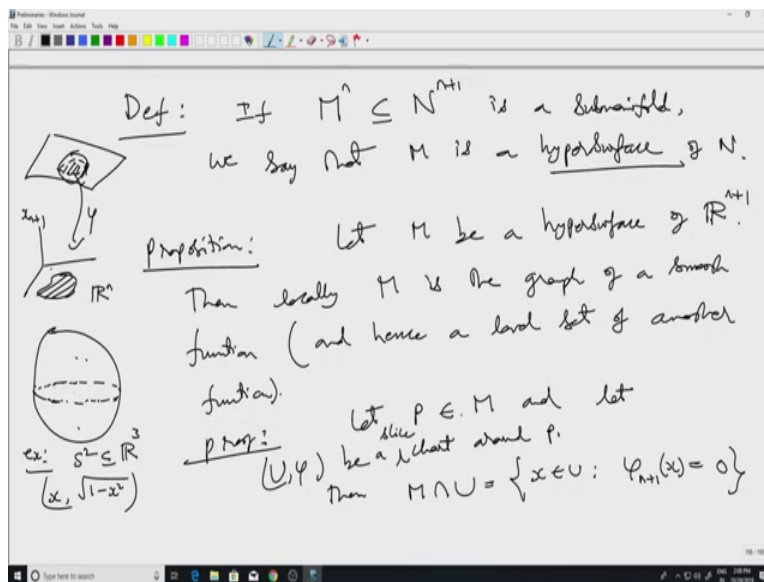


Now, if one is just interested in checking that, the graph is actually a manifold. There is a more direct way of doing it. One can also see that a graph is a manifold of dimension n as follows. So, in fact, the graph is just diffeomorphic to the open set U that we started with. So, I will define a map, the projection map from the graph S to U in a very simple way which is the graph consists of points of the form $x, f(x)$ and I just project it to you x itself.

So, now π is actually a homeomorphism. In other words, π is obviously continuous and π is bijective as well. It is clearly one to one and it is clearly surjective as well. And π inverse, the inverse map is also easy to describe from U to S is just π inverse of x . I will just put it at height $f(x)$ that is it. So, π is actually, so π is a homeomorphism and therefore π provides a single chart. So, S is covered by single chart and the topology on S is coming from \mathbb{R}^n plus 1. If that topology this S itself well, so S is covered by single chart and that is given by π .

So, one can put a smooth manifold structure on S in a very trivial way via a single chart and it is a small exercise to check that the single chart structure and the smooth structure given by the regular value theorem are the same. So, now let us I would like to say a few words. In many of the examples, for example, the case of the graph or the special linear group $SL(n, \mathbb{R})$ it turned out that the sub manifold that we get is one dimension less than the dimension of the ambient manifold.

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In that case, we say that the sub manifold is a hypersurface. If M is contained in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} is a sub manifold. We say that M is a hypersurface of \mathbb{R}^{n+1} . Now, I would like to describe so, yeah, so now that I have this going back to the case of the graph, given a smooth function as able to get a hypersurface in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} . Here is a converse to that, proposition. Let M be a hypersurface of \mathbb{R}^{n+1} . Then locally M is the graph of the smooth function.

Once and we already seen that the graph of a smooth function can be realized as the level set of some other function and so level set of another function. So, the proof is quite simple let, so when I say locally M is the graph of a smooth function, what I mean is that given a point P in M I would like to find an open set around P and that portion of that so for instance, actually the case of the sphere is good enough.

When I have a sphere. I know that locally I can so for instance graph of a smooth function. Well, I know that every point on the sphere lies in a the if I am in the upper hemisphere, then this is in the graph of the certain functions similarly in the lower hemisphere, in the graph of a certain function, and that description continues to hold even when this I am on the equator. So, for instance, so as an example, let us look at the case of S^2 inside \mathbb{R}^3 .

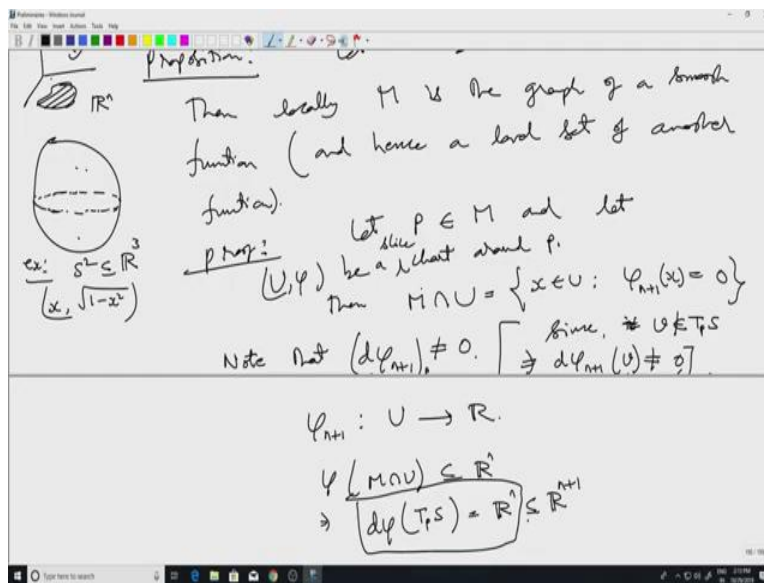
If I am in the upper (hem), closure of the upper hemisphere so the including points on the equator, then any point can be written as $(x, \sqrt{1-x^2})$. So, this function, square root of $1-x^2$ will serve the function for which the graph is

what we have here. Now, one wants a similar statement here. So, take it. So, let us start with let P belong to M . And let U be a chart for chart around P .

So, here actually what I need is not just a chart, I need a slice chart. The slice chart around P . So, then $M \cap U$ now, a slice start, by definition has the property that this the portion of U which intersects with M is taken to in the case of a hypersurface, ϕ will take $M \cap U$ to \mathbb{R}^n . So, in other words, the last coordinate becomes 0.

So, it is a set of all X in U such that $\phi_{n+1}(X) = 0$ because ϕ is actually a diffeomorphism which, so the picture is that this is P . I have a bigger open set and this portion is taken to something in \mathbb{R}^n . So, the, this is the n plus first coordinate X and plus 1. And so this is ϕ . So, ϕ^{-1} of if I look at where ϕ_{n+1} become 0, that precisely corresponds to $M \cap U$.

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Now, this immediately tells us that also note that $d\phi_{n+1}$. If I look at this $d\phi_{n+1}$ at the point P is not equal to 0. Not the 0 map. So, here I am thinking of ϕ_{n+1} as a map from U to \mathbb{R} . And then the claim is that this derivative is not 0. So, this can see that this is not 0. Since $d\phi_{n+1}$ acting on V is so let me write it slightly different way, so this is actually yeah, the point is that ϕ takes $U \cap M$ to \mathbb{R}^n .

So, the point is that because of this property, if I take any vector V , which is not in the tangent space to, So this will imply here $d\phi$, the tangent space to S is actually equal to \mathbb{R}^n itself ϕ is a diffeomorphism and this is contained in \mathbb{R}^n plus 1. So, the tangent space to S is taken to the special subspace \mathbb{R}^n by under ϕ . So, that means that if I take a vector V since V not in the tangent space to S then $D\phi$ plus 1, the last coordinate cannot be 0.

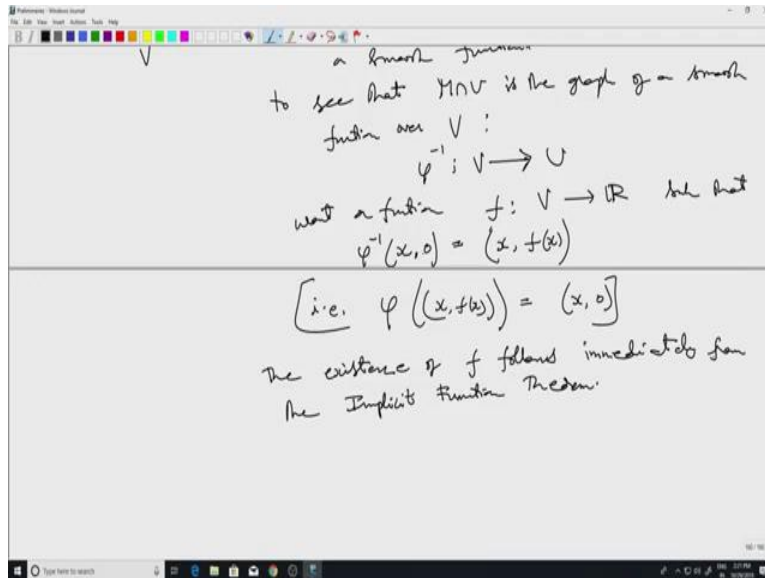
If it had been 0, then remember that $d\phi$ is supposed to be an isomorphism then it would from this equation, if this part had been 0, then it would mean that $d\phi$ of V would actually be inside this \mathbb{R}^n by definition of the last coordinates. So, but that would mean that V would actually have to come from TPS. So, which is not the case since I took v not to, so this is not 0. So, in short, what I have is that here I have already shown that this is actually M intersection U realized as the levels set. Once I have yeah so now I have a level set.

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$\phi_{n+1}: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
 $\phi(M \cap U) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^1$
 $\Rightarrow \dim(T_p S) = \mathbb{R}^n \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$

Have a hypersurface is locally a level set of a smooth function (independent to a regular value) f to see that $M \cap U$ is the graph of a smooth function over V :

$\phi^{-1}: V \rightarrow U$
 want a function $f: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that
 $\phi^{-1}(x, 0) = (x, f(x))$



So, actually, yeah so what I have shown is that this if I start with a hypersurface, I have I can write it locally as a level set as a hypersurface is locally a level set corresponding to a regular value of some smooth, of a smooth function and that smooth function just came from the looking at the last coordinate of a slice chart. Well, one can pursue this further then and then one would like to write it as actually the graph of a and that part is also clear how to write it as a graph.

Again, to see that this is M intersection U again, the same portion. So, I have a manifold I have hypersurface M and I am looking at a small portion of it and my slice chart is pushing it down to this. So, this the slice chart is actually defined on an open set in \mathbb{R}^n plus 1 not just an open set in N but it takes this to this. And so to think of this upper the red portion, I would like to think of the red portion as a graph or the green portion.

So, I have already given it some names. So, this the open set, big open set we had call U . So, let us call this as let us say V . So, I would like to it is natural to try to use φ inverse as a to regard it as a graph. To see that M intersection U is the graph of a smooth function over V . Now, what we would like to do is so φ inverse already. First, φ inverse is a map from V to U which takes this to this green portion, to the red portion.

However, what I want to do is I want to write want a function F from V to \mathbb{R} such that, so essentially every point of inverse φ inverse of X should be notice that the inverse of X is actually a point in \mathbb{R}^n plus 1, so maybe φ , I would like to think that it in so like this φ inverse

$X, 0$ so then X would be a point in V so X would have n coordinates and n plus first coordinate is 0 . So, that is my V .

So, ϕ^{-1} of V , ϕ^{-1} of this point should be written as I would like to write it as $X, F(X)$. So, this is what I want, I want such a function i.e. $\phi(X) = F(X)$ which is the same thing. So, now this is a sort of a functional equation for F , so which functional equation for F in terms of ϕ . Now, this is precisely the set up for another consequence of the inverse function theorem which I did not talk about much which is called the implicit function theorem.

So, let me not go into it at this point. I will just briefly say that the existence of F follows immediately from the implicit function theorem which is actually, again, a very quick consequence of the inverse function theorem. But since I will not be using this graphical representation on that much, I do not want to pursue this so alright so we will stop here and resume with the description of tangent spaces in my next lecture. Thank you.