

Last time, stated:

i.e., image of all critical points

Thm: [Sard]: $f: M^m \rightarrow N^n$ any smooth map. Then the subset of N consisting of critical values has measure zero in N . (\Rightarrow the set of regular values has "full measure," in particular is dense in N . In particular, \exists reg. val. of f in any open set in N).

Note: If $m = \dim(M) < n = \dim(N)$, then every $p \in M$ is a critical point of a given $f: M \rightarrow N$.
 \Rightarrow critical values of f are $f(M)$. Sard's theorem \Rightarrow the image $f(M) \subseteq N$ has measure zero \Rightarrow So f cannot be surjective, and complement $N \setminus f(M)$ is dense, i.e., "many" points $y \in N$ with $f^{-1}(y) = \emptyset$.

Def: A subset $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ has measure 0 if for every $\varepsilon > 0$ \exists countably many boxes $I_1, I_2, \dots, I_k, \dots$; $I_s = [a_1^s, b_1^s] \times \dots \times [a_n^s, b_n^s]$ s.t. $A \subseteq \bigcup_{s \in \mathbb{N}} I_s$ and $\sum \text{vol}(I_s) < \varepsilon$.

Rmk: "measure" refers to "Lebesgue measure"

Lemmas: (omitted proof):

(1) Any open $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ does not have measure zero.

\Rightarrow a measure 0 A cannot contain an open U .

\Rightarrow any open $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ contains a point not in such an A .

$\Rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \setminus A$ is dense in \mathbb{R}^n (if A has measure 0).

(2) If $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k, \dots$ countably many subsets of measure zero, then

$\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i$ still has measure 0.

(since any point has measure 0, (2) \Rightarrow any countable subset has measure 0 e.g., $\mathbb{Q}^n \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$).

(3) Say $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ cpd. subset and $A \cap \{c\} \times \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$ has measure 0 in \mathbb{R}^{n-1} for every $c \in \mathbb{R}$. Then, A has measure 0 in \mathbb{R}^n .

(4) The graph of $f: \mathbb{R}^{n-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, or an affine proper subspace $H \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, all have measure 0 in \mathbb{R}^n .

Def: A subset $A \subset M^m$ has measure 0 if \exists atlas $\mathcal{A} = \{(U_i, \phi_i)\}$ in differentiable structure on M such that each $\phi_i(A \cap U_i)$ has measure zero.

Independence of choice of atlas used: *exercise, follows from:*

Prop: Any diffeo. $f: U \xrightarrow{\cong} V$ preserves the notion of a subset of measure zero.

$\begin{matrix} \cap \text{open} & \cap \text{open} \\ \mathbb{R}^m & \mathbb{R}^n \end{matrix}$

(Pf omitted).

Cor of above Lemma: If $A \subset M^m$ measure zero, then $M \setminus A \subseteq M$ is dense.

Sketch of proof of Sard's Theorem:

Statement: $f: M^m \rightarrow N^n$ then critical values $f(C) \subseteq N$ has measure 0.

Induct on $m = \dim(M)$.

• base case: $m=0$ (M is countable discrete set). immediate b/c:

• if $n=0$ then there are no critical points.

• if $n>0$ the set of critical values is $f(M)$, a countable subset of N , therefore measure 0.

• General m , assume results hold for all maps to N from any k -dim'l manifold $k \leq m-1$:

By covering M & N by a countable collection of charts adapted to f , we reduce to the case of

$$F: \begin{matrix} U \\ \cap \text{open} \\ \mathbb{R}^m \end{matrix} \longrightarrow \begin{matrix} V \\ \cap \text{open} \\ \mathbb{R}^n \end{matrix}$$

Let $C :=$ set of critical points of F . Want $F(C)$ has measure 0 in V .

Observe \exists a nested sequence

$$C \supseteq C_1 \supseteq C_2 \supseteq \dots \supseteq C_k \supseteq \dots$$

where $C_k := \{x \in C \mid \text{for every } 1 \leq i \leq k \text{ all its } \overset{\text{order}}{1} \text{ partials of } \overset{\text{every component of}}{1} F \text{ vanish at } x\}$
 (note: each C_k, C closed subset of U).

This is a direct consequence of:

Step 1: $F(C \setminus C_1)$ has measure zero.

Step 2: $F(C_k \setminus C_{k+1})$ has measure zero.

(omitted, similar to step 1).

Step 3: For $k \gg 0$, $F(C_k)$ has measure zero.

Sketch of Step 1:

$$F = (F_1, \dots, F_n): \overset{\mathbb{R}^n}{U} \rightarrow \overset{\mathbb{R}^n}{V}.$$

By replacing U , domain of F by $U \setminus C_1$, we just assume that $C_1 = \emptyset$ & show in that case that $F(C)$ has measure 0.

Say $a \in C$. Since $a \notin C_1$ by definition some partial derivative of $F \neq 0$ at a ,
 WLOG (by rearranging coords) can assume $\frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x_1}(a) \neq 0$.

Consider the map $h: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $h = (F_1(\vec{x}), x_2, \dots, x_n)$.

Note: $dh(a)$ is non-singular $dh(a) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x_1}(a) & \# & 0 \\ * & & I_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$.

By shrinking (IFT) domain, h

gives a diffeo: $\underset{a}{\tilde{U}} \xrightarrow{h} \underset{\text{open}}{\tilde{U}} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$.

Study $F|_{\tilde{U}}(C) = F \circ h^{-1}(\tilde{C})$. \tilde{C} critical set of $F \circ h^{-1}$.

Now, $F \circ h^{-1} = (x_1, F_2(\vec{x}), \dots, F_n(\vec{x}))$.

$$\Rightarrow d(\tilde{F} = F \circ h^{-1}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ * & \left(\frac{\partial F_i}{\partial x_j} \right)_{i=2, j=2}^{m, n} \end{pmatrix}.$$

$\Rightarrow \tilde{F}$ has a crit. point at $x_1 = c, x_2, \dots, x_m = \bar{x}_{\text{rest}}$ iff

$F_{\text{small}} = (F_2|_{x_1=c}, \dots, F_n|_{x_1=c})$ has a critical point at \bar{x}_{rest} .

$$\text{also, } \tilde{F}(\tilde{C} \cap \{x_1=c\}) = F_{\text{small}}(\text{critical set of } F_{\text{small}}) \cap \{x_1=c\}.$$

by induction \Rightarrow since $\tilde{F}(E) \cap (\{c\} \times \mathbb{R}^{n-1})$ has measure 0, so does $\tilde{F}(\tilde{C})$.

\Rightarrow so does $F|_{\tilde{U}}(C \cap \tilde{U})$.

(exercise) $\Rightarrow F(C)$ has measure 0. \square

A few words about Step 3: For $k \gg 0$ ($k > m/n - 1$), $F(C_k)$ has measure 0.

- reduce to case domain U is a cube E .

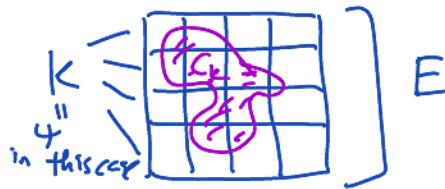
- use Taylor's theorem to bound the volume of $F(C_k)$

More precisely, on E :

- pick A a constant such that $|\partial^k f| \leq A$ over E for all \vec{v} of size $k+1$.

- let $R = \text{side length}(E)$

- K some large integer



subdivide E into K^m cubes of side length R/k , E_1, \dots, E_{K^m} .

Over such E_i , if E_i intersects C_k , then for any point $a_i \in C_k \cap E_i$,

Taylor's thm (bounding remainder)

$$\Rightarrow \text{over } E_i, |F(x) - F(a_i)| \leq A' |x - a_i|^{k+1}.$$

\leftarrow bounded by $2R/k$ in E_i .

\leftarrow const. only depending on A, K, m .

\Rightarrow for any i ,

$F(C_k \cap E_i)$ is contained in a cube of sidelength $4A'(R/K)^{k+1}$.

$\Rightarrow F(C_k)$ contained in a union of cubes of total volume

$$\begin{aligned} & K^m \cdot \left(4A'(R/K)^{k+1}\right)^n. \\ & \quad \uparrow \\ & \quad \# \text{cubes} \\ & = A'' \cdot K^{m-(k+1)n} = A'' K^{m-nk-n}. \\ & \quad \uparrow \\ & \quad (4A'R^{k+1})^n \end{aligned}$$

If $k > \frac{m}{n} - 1$, then $m - nk - n < 0$, so by taking K arbitrarily large, we can ensure $F(C_k)$ contained in a union of cubes of arbitrarily small volume. □