

# Surjections between Euclidean spaces, changing variable formula and Brouwer fixed point theorem

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# 1. Differentiation for vector functions

The Euclidean norm of a vector  $x \in \mathbb{R}^m$  is

$$|x| = \sqrt{(x^1)^2 + \cdots + (x^m)^2}.$$

Let  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $a \in U^\circ$ . If there is  $n \times m$  matrix  $A$  s.t.

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{h}) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{a}) - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{h} = \mathbf{o}(|\mathbf{h}|), \quad \text{as } |\mathbf{h}| \rightarrow \mathbf{0}, \quad (1)$$

we call  $A$  the derivative of  $f$  at  $a$ , write  $A = f'(a)$  or  $A = Df(a)$ .

Let  $f = (f^1, \dots, f^n)$ , denote the  $i^{\text{th}}$ -row of  $A$  by  $A^i$ , the  $i$  component of (1) is

$$f^i(a+h) - f^i(a) - A^i h = o(|h|).$$

Thus  $f^i$  is differentiable at  $a$ , and

$$A^i = \nabla f^i(a) = (\partial_1 f^i, \dots, \partial_m f^i).$$

Therefore

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \partial_1 f^1 & \cdots & \partial_m f^1 \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \partial_1 f^n & \cdots & \partial_m f^n \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{the Jacobian matrix of } f \text{ at } a.$$

When  $m = n$ , the Jacobian determinant of  $A$  is

$$J_f(a) = \frac{\partial(f^1, \dots, f^m)}{\partial(x^1, \dots, x^m)} = \det \begin{pmatrix} \partial_1 f^1 & \dots & \partial_m f^1 \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \partial_1 f^n & \dots & \partial_m f^n \end{pmatrix}. \quad (2)$$

Let  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $V \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ .  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $g : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^\ell$ . If  $f(U) \subset V$ , we have  
 $g \circ f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^\ell$ .

**Thm 1 (Chain rule).** If  $f$  is differentiable at  $a \in U$ ,  $g$  is differentiable at  $b = f(a)$ , then  $g \circ f$  is differentiable at  $a$  and  $(g \circ f)'(a) = g'(b)f'(a)$ .

If  $y = g(u)$ ,  $u = f(x)$ , then

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial y^1}{\partial x^1} & \dots & \frac{\partial y^1}{\partial x^m} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial y^\ell}{\partial x^1} & \dots & \frac{\partial y^\ell}{\partial x^m} \end{pmatrix}_a = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial y^1}{\partial u^1} & \dots & \frac{\partial y^1}{\partial u^n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial y^\ell}{\partial u^1} & \dots & \frac{\partial y^\ell}{\partial u^n} \end{pmatrix}_b \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial u^1}{\partial x^1} & \dots & \frac{\partial u^1}{\partial x^m} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial u^n}{\partial x^1} & \dots & \frac{\partial u^n}{\partial x^m} \end{pmatrix}_a, \quad \frac{\partial y^i}{\partial x^j} = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial y^i}{\partial u^k} \frac{\partial u^k}{\partial x^j}.$$

**Thm 2 (Inverse function).** Let  $\Omega$  be open in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  be  $C^1$ ,  $a \in \Omega$ ,  $b = f(a)$ . If  $\det f'(a) \neq 0$ , there are  $U \in \mathcal{U}_a$  and  $V \in \mathcal{U}_b$ , s.t.  $f : U \rightarrow V$  is diffeomorphism. (illustrating the basic idea of differential calculus)

**Rek 1.**  $\det f'(a) \neq 0$  means  $f'(a) : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is a linear isomorphism; then  $f$  is locally invertible.

**Cor 1 (Local surjection).** Let  $\Omega$  be open in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be  $C^1$ ,  $a \in \Omega$ . If  $\text{rank } f'(a) = n$ , then  $b \in [f(\Omega)]^\circ$

**Rek 2.**  $\text{rank } f'(a) = n$  means  $f'(a) : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is linear surjection; then  $f$  is locally surjective.

**Pf(Cor 1).**  $f'(a) = \begin{pmatrix} \partial_1 f^1 & \cdots & \partial_n f^1 & \cdots & \partial_m f^1 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \partial_1 f^n & \cdots & \partial_n f^n & \cdots & \partial_m f^n \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\det \begin{pmatrix} \partial_1 f^1 & \cdots & \partial_n f^1 \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \partial_1 f^n & \cdots & \partial_n f^n \end{pmatrix} \neq 0$ .

Let  $F : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $F(x) = (f^1(x), \dots, f^n(x), x^{n+1}, \dots, x^m)$ . then

$$F'(a) = \begin{pmatrix} (\partial_i f^j)_{i,j=1,\dots,n} & (\partial_i f^j)_{i>n} \\ 0 & I_{m-n} \end{pmatrix}$$

is invertible. We apply the Inverse Function Theorem to  $F$ .

## 2. Surjectivity of $f : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ and FTA

**Thm 3 (FTA).** Let  $a_i \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$p(z) = z^n + a_1 z^{n-1} + \dots + a_n$$

be a polynomial, then  $\exists \xi \in \mathbb{C}$  s.t.  $p(\xi) = 0$ .

- \* Gauss gave the first proof more than 300 years ago. Even in 21<sup>st</sup> century, new proofs keep emerging [Sen \(2000\)](#); [Lazer & Leckband \(2010\)](#).
- \* Usual proofs use [Complex Analysis](#) or [Algebraic Topology](#), many proofs are collected in [Fine & Rosenberger \(1997\)](#).
- \* A proof via [Green theorem](#) can be found in the textbook [Ouyang et al. \(2003\)](#).
- \* [Lazer & Leckband \(2010\)](#) applied [Fourier inverse transform](#) to prove FTA.
- \* [Sen \(2000\)](#) applied [Inverse Fun Thm](#), the proof need [topological concepts](#) such as open sets (and connectivity) [in subspace](#) of  $\mathbb{C}$ .
- \* Our [motivation](#) was to avoid [subspace topology](#).

Let  $z = x + iy$ ,  $p(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$ . View  $p$  as a map  $p : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  
 $p(x, y) = (u(x, y), v(x, y))$ .

From **Cauchy-Riemann equation** we know

$$p'(z) = 0 \iff \det p'(x, y) = 0, \quad (x, y) \text{ is critical point of } p : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$

Since  $p'(z)$  is polynomial of order  $(n - 1)$ , the map  $p : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  has **finitely many** critical points. The fact

$$\lim_{|(x,y)| \rightarrow \infty} |p(x, y)| = +\infty,$$

brings our attention to a classical result (advanced calculus exercise):

**Pro 1** ((Deimling, 1985, Page 24)). If the  $C^1$ -map  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is **coercive**:

$$\lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} |f(x)| = +\infty, \quad (3)$$

and  $\det Df(x) \neq 0$  for  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $f(\mathbb{R}^n) = \mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Rek 3.** (1) If we can weaken  $\det Df(x) \neq 0$  for  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\det Df(x) \neq 0$  **except finitely many  $x$** , then FTA follows immediately.

(2) (3) means that  $f(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is closed in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . **This motivates our Thm5.**

**Def 1.** Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be  $C^1$ ,  $a \in \mathbb{R}^m$ . If  $Df(a) : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is not surjective (i.e.,  $\text{rank } Df(a) < n$ ), we call  $a$  a **critical point** of  $f$ .

**Thm 4 (Local surjection).** Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be  $C^1$ . If  $a \in \Omega^\circ$  is not critical (i.e.  $\text{rank } Df(a) = n$ ), then  $f(a) \in [f(\Omega)]^\circ$ .

**Thm 5 (Liu & Liu (2018)).** If the  $C^1$ -map  $f : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  has only finitely many critical points,  $n \geq 2$ ,  $f(\mathbb{R}^m)$  is **closed** in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $f(\mathbb{R}^m) = \mathbb{R}^n$ .  
(necessary condition)

**Pf.** Let  $K$  be the critical set of  $f$ , then  $f(K)$  is also finite.

\*  $\mathbb{R}^m \setminus K$  is open in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ . By **Thm 4**,  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^m \setminus K$ ,  $f(x)$  is interior to  $A = f(\mathbb{R}^m \setminus K)$ . hence  $A$  is **open** in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

\* By assumption,

$$A \cup f(K) = f(\mathbb{R}^m \setminus K) \cup f(K) = f(\mathbb{R}^m) \quad \text{is } \mathbf{closed}.$$

\* Noting that  $f(\mathbb{R}^m) = \overline{f(\mathbb{R}^m)} \supset \overline{A}$ , it suffices to prove the intuitive result:

**if the union of open set  $A$  and a finite set is closed, then  $\overline{A} = \mathbb{R}^n$ .**

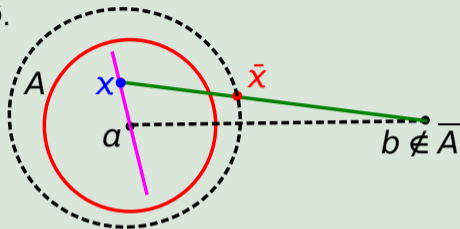


**Lem 1.** Let  $n \geq 2$ ,  $A$  be nonempty open set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . If there are  $k$  points  $p_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$  s.t.  $A \cup \{p_i\}_{i=1}^k$  is closed, then  $\bar{A} = \mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Pf.** Since  $A$  is open,  $A \cap \partial A = \emptyset$ .

$$\begin{aligned} A \cup \{p_i\} &= \overline{A \cup \{p_i\}} \\ &= A \cup \partial A \cup \{p_i\} \\ &\implies \partial A \subset \{p_i\}, \end{aligned}$$

So  $\partial A$  is finite.

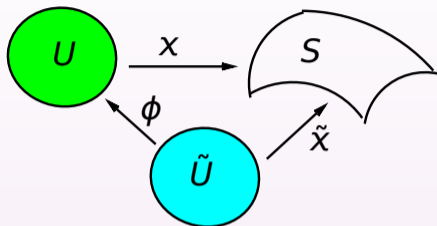


**Cor 2.** Assume  $M$  is  $m$ -dimensional smooth manifold without boundary,  $C^1$ -map  $f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  has only finitely many critical points,  $n \geq 2$ . If  $f(M)$  is closed in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $f(M) = \mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Cor 3.** Let  $n \geq 2$ ,  $M$  be  $m$ -dimensional compact manifold without boundary. If  $f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is  $C^1$ -map, then  $f$  has infinitely many critical points.

### 3. Changing variable for multiple integrals

Motivated by do Carmo (1976) (CVF for double integral via Green Theorem), we assume CVF for  $(m-1)$ -integrals, define **surface integral** in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  and prove the **Divergence Theorem**, then prove CVF for  $m$ -integrals.



#### 3.1. Surface integral and Divergence Theorem

- \* Let  $U$  be Jordan measurable closed domain in  $\mathbb{R}^{m-1}$ , a  $C^1$ -parametrized surface is a  $C^1$ -map  $x : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  satisfying  $\text{rank}(\partial x^i / \partial u^j) = m - 1$  and injective in  $U^\circ$ .
- \*  $x$  is equivalent with  $\tilde{x} : \tilde{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  if there is diffeomorphism  $\phi : \tilde{U} \rightarrow U$  s.t.  $\tilde{x} = x \circ \phi$ . Then  $\tilde{x}(\tilde{U}) = x(U)$ , we can identify the equivalent class  $[x]$  with  $x(U)$ , called **smooth surface**, and denoted by  $S = x(U)$  or  $S = [x : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m]$ .

Using Cramer we know that a **normal vector** of  $S = [x : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m]$  at  $x(u)$  is

$$N(u) = \left( \frac{\partial(x^2, \dots, x^m)}{\partial(u^1, \dots, u^{m-1})}, \dots, (-1)^{m+1} \frac{\partial(x^1, \dots, x^{m-1})}{\partial(u^1, \dots, u^{m-1})} \right).$$

The **surface integral** of cont  $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  on  $S = [x : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m]$  is defined by

$$\int_S f(x) d\sigma = \int_U f(x(u)) |N(u)| du. \quad (4)$$

By  $(m-1)$ -dim CVF, the RHS is **indept** with the parametrization of  $S$ .

For piece-wise smooth surface  $\Sigma = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\ell} S_i$ , where  $S_i = x_i(U_i)$  **interiorly-disjoint**, set

$$\int_{\Sigma} f d\sigma = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} \int_{S_i} f d\sigma. \quad x_i(U_i^\circ) \cap x_j(U_j^\circ) = \emptyset.$$

**Thm 6 (Divergence Theorem).** Let  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  be bounded closed domain,  $\partial D$  piece-wise smooth,  $F \in C^1(D, \mathbb{R}^m)$ ,  $n$  is unit outer normal of  $\partial D$ , then

$$\int_D \operatorname{div} F dx = \int_{\partial D} F \cdot n d\sigma. \quad \int_D \partial_i f dx = \int_{\partial D} f n^i d\sigma \quad \text{for } f \in C^1(D).$$

## 3.2. Simple domain

A bdd domain  $\Omega$  is **simple**, if there is  $(m - 1)$ -dim  $C^1$ -parametrized surface  $x : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  s.t.  $\partial\Omega = x(U)$ . Note that  $U$  is closed,  $x$  is injective in  $U^\circ$ .

**Exm 1.** Balls  $B$  in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  is simple. For  $m = 3$ , we take

$$x : [0, \pi] \times [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3, \quad (\varphi, \theta) \mapsto (\sin \varphi \cos \theta, \sin \varphi \sin \theta, \cos \varphi).$$

**Thm 7 (Liu & Zhang (2017)).** Let  $D$  and  $\Omega$  be bdd open domain in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  with  $C^1$ -boundary,  $\Omega$  simple, the  $C^2$ -map  $\varphi : \bar{\Omega} \rightarrow \bar{D}$  maps  $\partial\Omega$  onto  $\partial D$  diffeomly,  $f \in C(\bar{D})$ , then

$$\int_D f(y) dy = \pm \int_{\Omega} f(\varphi(x)) J_{\varphi}(x) dx, \quad \text{where } J_{\varphi}(x) = \det \varphi'(x).$$

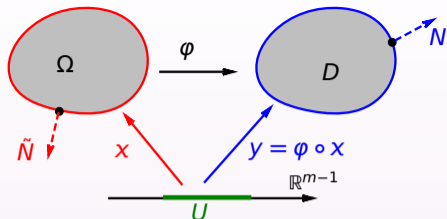
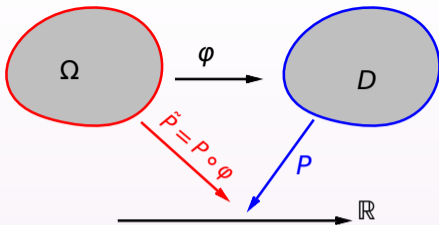
**Rek 4.** (1) Using mollifier, we may assume that  $f$  is the restriction to  $\bar{D}$  of smooth fun on  $\mathbb{R}^m$ . Thus we can take  $P \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^m)$  s.t.  $\partial P / \partial y^1 = f$ .

(2)  $\varphi$  only good on bdry, this leads to **Brouwer Fixed Point Theorem (Thm 9)**.

(3) See also **Lax (1999, 2001)**; **Taylor (2002)**; **Ivanov (2005)**.

Lax 99:  $f \in C_0(\mathbb{R}^m)$   
 $\varphi$  is identity outside some ball

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^m} f(y) dy = \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} f(\varphi(x)) \det \left( \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \right) dx.$$



**Pf.** Let  $\varphi : y^i = y^i(x^1, \dots, x^m)$ . Take  $P \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^m)$  s.t.  $\partial P / \partial y^1 = f$ , set  $\tilde{P} = P \circ \varphi$ . Let  $x : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  be parametrization of  $\partial\Omega$ , then  $y = \varphi \circ x$  is parametrization of  $\partial D$ ,

$$N = \left( \frac{\partial(y^2, \dots, y^m)}{\partial(u^1, \dots, u^{m-1})}, \dots, (-1)^{m+1} \frac{\partial(y^1, \dots, y^{m-1})}{\partial(u^1, \dots, u^{m-1})} \right)$$

is normal vector of  $\partial D$ ,  $n = \pm N / |N| = (n^1, \dots, n^m)$  unit normal.

Let  $A = (A_1, \dots, A_m)$ ,  $\tilde{N} = (\tilde{N}^1, \dots, \tilde{N}^m)$ , where

$$A_i = (-1)^{i+1} \frac{\partial(y^2, \dots, y^m)}{\partial(x^1, \dots, \hat{x}^i, \dots, x^m)}, \quad \tilde{N}^i = (-1)^{i+1} \frac{\partial(x^1, \dots, \hat{x}^i, \dots, x^m)}{\partial(u^1, \dots, u^{m-1})}.$$

then  $\tilde{n} = \pm \tilde{N} / |\tilde{N}|$  is unit normal vec of  $\partial\Omega$ .

By Cauchy-Binet formula,

$$\begin{aligned}\pm n^1 |N| &= \frac{\partial(y^2, \dots, y^m)}{\partial(u^1, \dots, u^{m-1})} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\partial(y^2, \dots, y^m)}{\partial(x^1, \dots, \hat{x}^i, \dots, x^m)} \frac{\partial(x^1, \dots, \hat{x}^i, \dots, x^m)}{\partial(u^1, \dots, u^{m-1})} = A \cdot \tilde{N}.\end{aligned}$$

By Divergence Theorem,

$$P \circ y = P \circ (\varphi \circ x) = (P \circ \varphi) \circ x = \tilde{P} \circ x$$

$$\begin{aligned}\int_D f(y) dy &= \int_D \frac{\partial P}{\partial y^1} dy = \int_{\partial D} P n^1 d\sigma \\ &= \pm \int_U P(y(u)) n^1(u) |N(u)| du \quad \tilde{N} = \pm |\tilde{N}| \tilde{n} \\ &= \pm \int_U \tilde{P}(x(u)) (A \cdot \tilde{N}) du = \pm \int_U (\tilde{P} A \cdot \tilde{n}) |\tilde{N}| du \\ &= \pm \int_{\partial \Omega} \tilde{P} A \cdot \tilde{n} d\sigma = \pm \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}(\tilde{P} A) dx.\end{aligned}\tag{5}$$

To compute  $\operatorname{div}(\tilde{P}A)$ , let  $y_i^k = \partial y^k / \partial x^i$ , then  $A_i$  is algebraic cofactor of  $y_i^1$  in

$$J_\varphi(x) = \frac{\partial(y^1, \dots, y^m)}{\partial(x^1, \dots, x^m)} = \det \begin{pmatrix} y_1^1 & y_2^1 & \cdots & y_i^1 & \cdots & y_m^1 \\ y_1^2 & y_2^2 & \cdots & y_i^2 & \cdots & y_m^2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ y_1^m & y_2^m & \cdots & y_i^m & \cdots & y_m^m \end{pmatrix}.$$

By Hadamard identity we get  $\operatorname{div} A = 0$ , so

$$\sum_{i=1}^m y_i^j A_i = \delta_1^j \frac{\partial(y^1, \dots, y^m)}{\partial(x^1, \dots, x^m)} = \delta_1^j J_\varphi(x), \quad \tilde{P}(x) = P(\varphi(x))$$

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{div}(\tilde{P}A) &= \nabla \tilde{P} \cdot A + \tilde{P} \operatorname{div} A = \nabla \tilde{P} \cdot A = \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\partial \tilde{P}}{\partial x^i} A_i = \sum_{i=1}^m \left( \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{\partial P}{\partial y^j} \frac{\partial y^j}{\partial x^i} \right) A_i \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{\partial P}{\partial y^j} \left( \sum_{i=1}^m y_i^j A_i \right) = (\partial_{y^1} P) J_\varphi(x) = f(\varphi(x)) J_\varphi(x). \end{aligned}$$

From (5) we get

$$\int_D f(y) dy = \pm \int_\Omega f(\varphi(x)) J_\varphi(x) dx.$$

**Cor 4.** Under assumptions of [Thm 7](#) , if  $J_\varphi$  does not change sign on  $\overline{\Omega}$ , then

$$\int_D f(y)dy = \int_\Omega f(\varphi(x)) |J_\varphi(x)|dx.$$



### 3.3. General domain

**Thm 8.** Let  $D$  and  $\Omega$  be Jordan measurable **bounded** open domains in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $f \in C(\bar{D})$ ,  $\varphi \in C^1(\bar{\Omega}, \mathbb{R}^m)$ ,  $\varphi : \Omega \rightarrow D$  is diffeomorphism, then

$$\int_D f(y)dy = \int_{\Omega} f(\varphi(x))|J_{\varphi}(x)|dx.$$

**Pf.** Since  $f = f_+ - f_-$ ,  $f_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2}(|f| \pm f) \in C(\bar{D})$ , we may assume  $f \geq 0$ .  
Set  $\tilde{f}(x) = f(\varphi(x))|J_{\varphi}(x)|$ .

(1)  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ , choose disjoint balls  $B_i \subset \Omega$  s.t.

$$\int_{\Omega} \tilde{f}(x)dx - \varepsilon \leq \sum_i \int_{B_i} \tilde{f}(x)dx = \sum_i \int_{\varphi(B_i)} f(y)dy \leq \int_D f(y)dy.$$

(2) Letting  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  we get  $\int_{\Omega} \tilde{f}(x)dx \leq \int_D f(y)dy$ .

(3) Similarly,  $\int_D f(y)dy \leq \int_{\Omega} \tilde{f}(x)dx$ .

## 4. Brouwer fixed point theorem (BFPT)

**Thm 9 (Brouwer).** Let  $B$  be the unit closed ball in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $g : B \rightarrow B$  be continuous. Then  $g$  has a fixed point.

It is well known that to prove **Thm 9** it suffices to prove

**Pro 2.** There does not exist  $\varphi \in C^2(B, \mathbb{R}^m)$  s.t.  $\varphi(B) \subset \partial B$  and  $\varphi|_{\partial B} = 1_{\partial B}$ .

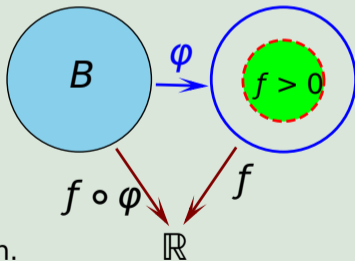
**Pf(Motivated by Báez-Duarte (1993)).** Take

$$f(y) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{1 - 4|y|^2}, & |y| \leq \frac{1}{2}, \\ 0, & \frac{1}{2} < |y| \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

Then  $f(\varphi(x)) = 0$  for  $x \in B$ .

View  $\varphi : x \mapsto y$  as transformation, **Thm 7** yields

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &< \int_B f(y) dy \\ &= \pm \int_B f(\varphi(x)) \det \left( \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \right) dx = 0, \text{ a contradiction.} \end{aligned}$$



**Rek 5.** \* Most people learn the proof of BFPT for the first time as application of homology theory in **Algebraic Topology**.

\* Proved as application of Stokes formula on **Differentiable manifolds**.

\* **Elementary proofs** can also be found in **Milnor (1978)**; **Rogers (1980)**; **Kannai (1981)**.

**Rek 6.** **Advantages of our proof** of Changing variable formula:

(1) It is just clever computation (**Cauchy-Binet**, etc), more easy to follow.

(2) Theory of **surface integral** (including Divergence Theorem) is developed during the proof.

(3) As by product we get Brouwer fixed point theorem.

**Exm 2 (Application of BFPT).** Let  $A$  be invertible,  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  verify

$$\lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|f(x)|}{|x|} = 0,$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\Delta u_j}{\partial x_j} \equiv \lambda u + f(u), \quad \lim_{|t| \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(t)}{t} = 0.$$

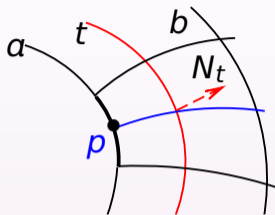
Then the nonlinear equation  $Ax = f(x)$  is solvable ( $Ax = b$ , Cramer rule).

## 5. Coarea formula and applications

Influenced by Mei (2020), I present coarea formula.

**Thm 10.** Let  $G \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  be bdd open,  $f \in C^2(G)$ ,  $\nabla f(x) \neq 0$  for  $\forall x \in G$ .  $\Omega = f^{-1}[a, b] \subset G$ .

$$\text{If } g \in C(\Omega), \text{ then } \int_{\Omega} g = \int_a^b dt \int_{f^{-1}(t)} \frac{g}{|\nabla f|} d\sigma.$$



**Pf (Motivated by (Wu et al., 1989, §11)).** For  $p \in f^{-1}(a)$ , let  $x(\cdot, p)$  be solution of

$$x' = \frac{\nabla f(x)}{|\nabla f(x)|^2}, \quad x(a) = p. \quad (6)$$

Then  $x(b, p) \in f^{-1}(b)$ .

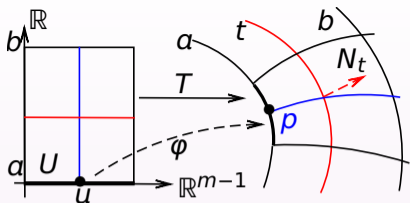
(ODE is applied in Calculus)

Let  $\varphi : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  be par of  $f^{-1}(a)$ , then the  $C^1$ -map  $T : U \times [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ ,

$$T(u, t) = x(t - a, \varphi(u))$$

is interiorly injective,

$T(\cdot, t) : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is par of  $f^{-1}(t)$ , with normal  $N_t(u)$ .



Expanding  $\det T'(u, t)$  and using (6) yield

$$|\det T'(u, t)| = \frac{|N_t(u)|}{|\nabla f(T(u, t))|} \neq 0.$$

So  $T$  is diffeomorphism on  $U^\circ \times (a, b)$ .  
By changing variable and Fubini

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} g(x) dx &= \int_{T(U \times (a, b))} g(x) dx && x = T(u, t) \\ &= \int_{U \times (a, b)} g(T(u, t)) |\det T'(u, t)| du dt \\ &= \int_a^b dt \int_U \frac{g(T(u, t))}{|\nabla f(T(u, t))|} |N_t(u)| du \\ &= \int_a^b dt \int_{f^{-1}(t)} \frac{g}{|\nabla f|} d\sigma. \end{aligned}$$

**Exm 3.** Let  $g \in C^1(B_R \times [0, R])$ , then for  $r \in (0, R)$ ,

$$\frac{d}{dr} \int_{B_r} g(x, r) dx = \int_{B_r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} g(x, r) dx + \int_{\partial B_r} g(x, r) d\sigma.$$

**Pf.** By coarea formula,

$$\int_{B_r} g(x, r) dx = \int_0^r dt \int_{|x|=t} g(x, r) d\sigma.$$

Applying

$$\frac{d}{dr} \int_0^r F(r, t) dt = F(r, r) + \int_0^r \partial_r F(r, t) dt$$

to

$$F(r, t) = \int_{|x|=t} g(x, r) d\sigma,$$

we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dr} \int_{B_r} g(x, r) dx &= \int_{|x|=r} g(x, r) d\sigma + \int_0^r dt \int_{|x|=t} \partial_r g(x, r) d\sigma \\ &= \int_{\partial B_r} g(x, r) d\sigma + \int_{B_r} \partial_r g(x, r) dx. \end{aligned}$$

**Exm 4.** Let  $B$  be unit ball in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $f \in C^1(B)$ ,  $f|_{\partial B} = 0$ . Find

$$I = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{B \setminus B_\varepsilon} \frac{x \cdot \nabla f(x)}{|x|^m} dx, \quad \text{where } B_\varepsilon : |x| \leq \varepsilon.$$

**Pf.** By defn of surface integrals (4),  $\int_{|x|=t} g(x) d\sigma = t^{m-1} \int_{|y|=1} g(ty) d\sigma$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{B \setminus B_\varepsilon} \frac{x \cdot \nabla f(x)}{|x|^m} dx &= \int_\varepsilon^1 dt \int_{|x|=t} \frac{x \cdot \nabla f(x)}{|x|^m} d\sigma \\ &= \int_\varepsilon^1 \left( t^{m-1} \int_{|y|=1} \frac{(ty) \cdot \nabla f(ty)}{|ty|^m} d\sigma \right) dt \\ &= \int_\varepsilon^1 dt \int_{|y|=1} \nabla f(ty) \cdot y d\sigma = \int_{|y|=1} d\sigma \int_\varepsilon^1 \frac{d}{dt} f(ty) dt \\ &= \int_{|y|=1} [-f(\varepsilon y)] d\sigma \rightarrow -f(0)\omega_m. \end{aligned}$$

**Rek 7.** This can also be solved using divergence theorem.

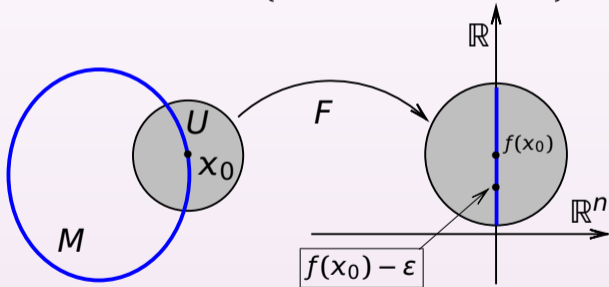
Pf of L-multipliers,

$$\begin{aligned} \min\{f : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\} \\ g^1(x) = 0 \\ \vdots \\ g^n(x) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$F(x) = (f(x), g^1(x), \dots, g^n(x))$ . By Thm 4

$$F : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$$
$$\text{rank } F'(x_0) = \text{rank} \begin{pmatrix} \nabla f(x_0) \\ \nabla g^1(x_0) \\ \vdots \\ \nabla g^n(x_0) \end{pmatrix} = n,$$

thus  $\nabla f(x_0) \in \text{span} \{\nabla g^1(x_0), \dots, \nabla g^n(x_0)\}$ .





## Coarea and method of element

Let  $G \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $f : G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .  $\Omega = f^{-1}[a, b]$ ,  
 $g : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

Take surface element  $d\sigma$  at  $x \in f^{-1}(t)$ .  
Let  $y$  be the intersection of  $f^{-1}(t + dt)$  and  
normal line of  $f^{-1}(t)$  at  $x$ . Then

$$dt = f(y) - f(x) \approx \nabla f(x) \cdot (y - x),$$

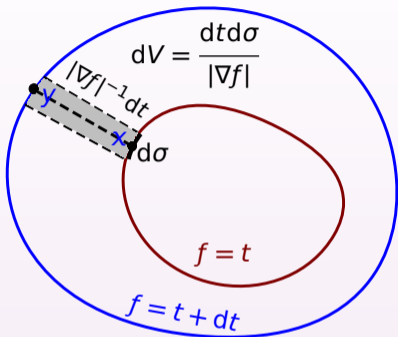
$$|y - x| = \frac{dt}{|\nabla f(x)|}.$$

Volume of the gray column with base  $d\sigma$   
and high  $|y - x|$  is

$$dV = \frac{dtd\sigma}{|\nabla f(x)|}, \quad dm = \frac{g(x)}{|\nabla f(x)|} dtd\sigma. \quad \int_{f=t} dm = \text{mass of } f^{-1}[t, t + dt]$$

Hence mass of  $\Omega$  is

$$\int_{\Omega} g(x) dx = \int_a^b dt \int_{f=t} \frac{g(x)}{|\nabla f(x)|} d\sigma.$$



**Exm 5.** Let  $g \in C^1(B_R \times [0, R])$ , then for  $r \in (0, R)$ ,

$$\frac{d}{dr} \int_{B_r} g(x, r) dx = \int_{B_r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} g(x, r) dx + \int_{\partial B_r} g(x, r) d\sigma.$$

**Pf.** By coarea formula,

$$\int_{B_r} g(x, r) dx = \int_0^r dt \int_{|x|=t} g(x, r) d\sigma.$$

Applying

$$\frac{d}{dr} \int_0^r F(r, t) dt = F(r, r) + \int_0^r \partial_r F(r, t) dt$$

to

$$F(r, t) = \int_{|x|=t} g(x, r) d\sigma,$$

we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dr} \int_{B_r} g(x, r) dx &= \int_{|x|=r} g(x, r) d\sigma + \int_0^r dt \int_{|x|=t} \partial_r g(x, r) d\sigma \\ &= \int_{\partial B_r} g(x, r) d\sigma + \int_{B_r} \partial_r g(x, r) dx. \end{aligned}$$

## Chain rule and Cauchy-Binet

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial y^2}{\partial u^1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial y^2}{\partial u^{m-1}} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial y^m}{\partial u^1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial y^m}{\partial u^{m-1}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial y^2}{\partial x^1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial y^2}{\partial x^i} & \cdots & \frac{\partial y^2}{\partial x^m} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial y^m}{\partial x^1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial y^m}{\partial x^i} & \cdots & \frac{\partial y^m}{\partial x^m} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial u^1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial u^{m-1}} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial u^1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial u^{m-1}} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial x^m}{\partial u^1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x^m}{\partial u^{m-1}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(m-1) \times (m-1) \quad (m-1) \times m \quad m \times (m-1)$$

Cauchy-Binet yields

$$\frac{\partial(y^2, \dots, y^m)}{\partial(u^1, \dots, u^{m-1})} = \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\partial(y^2, \dots, y^m)}{\partial(x^1, \dots, \hat{x}^i, \dots, x^m)} \frac{\partial(x^1, \dots, \hat{x}^i, \dots, x^m)}{\partial(u^1, \dots, u^{m-1})}$$

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