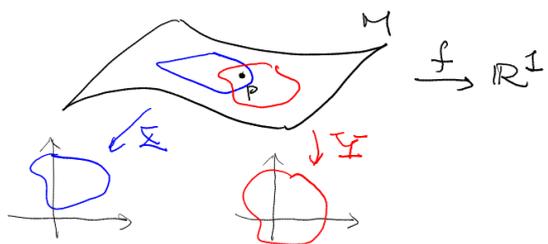


## Aside: Morse function

defn  $f: M^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$  is called a Morse function if every critical point is non-degenerate



•  $p$  = critical if  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i} \Big|_p = 0 \quad \forall i$   
 $\left( \frac{\partial(f \circ \Sigma^{-1})}{\partial x^i} \Big|_{\Sigma(p)} = 0 \right)$

• non-degenerate if  $\det \left[ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^i \partial x^j} \Big|_p \right] \neq 0$

• In general, Hessian( $f$ ) is NOT well-defined

$\check{f}(y) := (f \circ \Sigma^{-1})(y)$ ,  $\hat{f}(x) := (f \circ \Sigma^{-1})(x)$ ,  $y(x) = (\Sigma \cdot \Sigma^{-1})(x)$   
 $\Rightarrow \hat{f}(x) = \check{f}(y(x))$

$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \hat{f}}{\partial x^i} = \sum_k \frac{\partial \check{f}}{\partial y^k} \frac{\partial y^k}{\partial x^i}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 \hat{f}}{\partial x^i \partial x^j} = \sum_{k,l} \frac{\partial^2 \check{f}}{\partial y^l \partial y^k} \frac{\partial y^l}{\partial x^i} \frac{\partial y^k}{\partial x^j} + \sum_k \left( \frac{\partial \check{f}}{\partial y^k} \right) \frac{\partial^2 y^k}{\partial x^i \partial x^j}$

$\Rightarrow \det \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \hat{f}}{\partial x^i \partial x^j} \Big|_{\Sigma(p)} \right] = \det \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \check{f}}{\partial y^l \partial y^k} \Big|_{\Sigma(p)} \right] \left( \det \left[ \frac{\partial y^k}{\partial x^i} \Big|_{\Sigma(p)} \right] \right)^2$

rank in modern notation, if  $df|_p = 0$

$\Rightarrow \sum_{i,j} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^i \partial x^j} \Big|_p dx^i \otimes dx^j : T_p M \times T_p M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is well-defined.

## §I. existence of Morse function

goal Sard theorem  $\Rightarrow$  there are plenty of Morse functions

lemma  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  open,  $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$  smooth.

Then,  $f + \sum_{j=1}^n a_j x^j$  is Morse for a.e.  $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$

pf:  $\left( \begin{array}{l} a = (a_1, \dots, a_n) \quad f_a = f + \sum a_j x^j \\ p = \text{critical} \Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial f_a}{\partial x^i} \Big|_p = 0 = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i} \Big|_p + a_i \\ \text{non-degenerate} \Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial^2 f_a}{\partial x^i \partial x^j} \Big|_p = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^i \partial x^j} \Big|_p \text{ is invertible} \end{array} \right)$

Consider  $g = \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^1}, \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^n} \right) : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

$Dg|_p = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^1 \partial x^1} & \dots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^1 \partial x^n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^n \partial x^1} & \dots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^n \partial x^n} \end{bmatrix} \Big|_p : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

$\forall p$  w/  $g(p) = -a$   
 $Dg|_p =$  isomorphism (surjective)

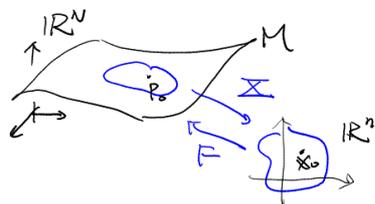
Apply Sard  $\#$

$-a$  is a regular value of  $g$

thm  $f: M^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$  smooth, Whitney  $M^n \xrightarrow{\text{embedding}} \mathbb{R}^N \ni (x^1, \dots, x^N)$

Then,  $f + \sum_{\mu=1}^N c_\mu x^\mu$  is Morse for a.e.  $(c_1, \dots, c_N) \in \mathbb{R}^N$

pf. step 0



From the assumption

$F: \mathbb{X}(U) \subset \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is an embedding

$\Rightarrow DF$  is injective:  $N \times n$

Assume the  $1^{st}$   $n \times n$  block of  $DF|_{x_0}$  is injective

$\Rightarrow$  By IFT,  $M$  near  $p_0$  is given by  $(x^1, \dots, x^n, h^{n+1}(x), \dots, h^N(x))$

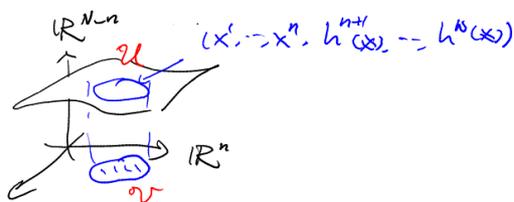
Due to second countable / paracompact,  $M$  admits a countable cover of such coordinate charts

coordinates =  $n$ -coordinates in  $\mathbb{R}^N$

step 1 On each coordinate chart

$$\mathbb{R}^N = \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^{N-n}$$

$$c = (a, b)$$



In the coordinate,  $f + \sum c_\mu x^\mu = (f(x, h(x)) + b \cdot h(x)) + a \cdot x$  on  $\mathcal{V}$

For each  $b \in \mathbb{R}^{N-n}$ . lemma  $\Rightarrow$  it is Morse except for  $a \in$  some measure zero set

By Fubini,  $S = \{ c = (a, b) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^{N-n} \mid f + c \cdot x \text{ is not Morse} \}$

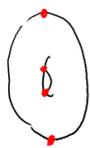
$$= \bigcup_{b \in \mathbb{R}^{N-n}} \{ a \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid (f + b \cdot h(x)) + a \cdot x \text{ is not Morse} \}$$

still has measure zero.

step 2 There are countably many charts  $\Rightarrow$  still measure zero  $\times$

## §II. baby Morse theory

1° Morse theory:



The topological structure can be understood from a Morse function.

Topology changes only passing through a critical point (thinking Morse = height)

Cor. If  $f: M^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$ , Morse with only two critical points (max & min) (Reeb) compact Then,  $M$  is homeomorphic to  $S^n$ .

2°  $S^7 \rightarrow S^4$   $\mathbb{H} \ni u_0 + iu_1 + ju_2 + ku_3$   $ij = k \dots$  quaternion algebra

$$S^7 \subset \mathbb{H}^2 \cong \mathbb{R}^8$$

$$= \{ (u, v) \mid |u|^2 + |v|^2 = 1 \}$$



$$(2u^*v, |u|^2 - |v|^2) \in \mathbb{H} \times \mathbb{R} \cong \mathbb{R}^5$$

$$4|u^*v|^2 + (|u|^2 - |v|^2)^2 = (|u|^2 + |v|^2)^2 = 1 \Rightarrow \pi(\mathbb{S}^7) \subset \mathbb{S}^4$$

**check**  $\pi: \mathbb{S}^7 \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^4$  is surjective, and  $\pi^{-1}(g) \cong \mathbb{S}^3 \forall g \in \mathbb{S}^4$

**rmk** This is analogous to the Hopf fibration  $\mathbb{S}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^2$

**key** if  $\pi(u,v) = g \in \mathbb{S}^4$

$$\text{Consider } \mathbb{S}^3 = \{g \in \mathbb{H} \cong \mathbb{R}^4 \mid |g| = 1\}$$

$$g \cdot (u,v) \mapsto (gu, gv)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(gu, gv) &= (2u^*g^*gv, |gu|^2 - |gv|^2) \\ &= (2u^*v, |u|^2 - |v|^2) = \pi(u,v) \end{aligned}$$

3° Other 7-dim manifolds

$$g = \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} \in \text{SU}(2) \cong \mathbb{S}^3 \quad |a|^2 + |b|^2 = 1$$

Given any two integers  $m$  &  $n$  introduce  $M_{m,n} = 7\text{-dim}$  as follows

$$M_{p,q} = \mathbb{R}^4 \times \mathbb{S}^3 \cup \mathbb{R}^4 \times \mathbb{S}^3 \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{two coordinate charts (although } \mathbb{S}^3 \\ \text{is used)} \\ \sim \text{ transition} \end{array}$$

$$((r,g), h) \mapsto ((\tilde{r}, \tilde{g}), \tilde{h}) = ((\tilde{r}, \tilde{g}), \tilde{h})$$

spherical coordinates  $\in \mathbb{R}_{>0} \times \mathbb{S}^3$

In fact, one can check that  $M_{1,0}$  is  $\mathbb{S}^7$ .

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{The } M_{1,0}\text{-case suggests to consider } f: M_{m,n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1 \\ \text{for } m+n=1 \quad ((r,g), h) \mapsto \frac{\text{tr } h}{(1+r^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \end{array}$$

$$r = \tilde{r}^{-1}, \quad h = (g^*)^m h (g^*)^n$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\text{tr } h}{(1+r^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{\text{tr}((g^*)^m \tilde{h} (g^*)^n)}{(1+\frac{1}{\tilde{r}^2})^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{\tilde{r}}{(1+\tilde{r}^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \text{tr}((g^*)^n (g^*)^m \tilde{h}) = \frac{\text{tr}((\tilde{r}\tilde{g}) \tilde{h})}{(1+\tilde{r}^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

**Check**  $f$  is a Morse function with only two critical points.

on the  $((r,g), h)$ -chart.

$$\mathbb{R}^4 \times \mathbb{S}^3 \ni (0, \pm \text{Id})$$

$$\rightarrow f = \pm 2$$

By Morse / Reeb,  $M_{m,n}$  is homeomorphic to  $\mathbb{S}^7$  for  $m+n=1$

Due to Milnor, when  $(m+n)^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$ ,  $M_{m,n}$  is NOT diffeomorphic to  $\mathbb{S}^7$

rmk  $S^3 = \mathbb{R}^2 \times S^1 \cup \mathbb{R}^2 \times S^1 / \sim$   
 $(\underbrace{re^{i\alpha}}_z, \underbrace{e^{i\alpha}}_w) \sim (\frac{1}{r}e^{-i\alpha}, e^{i\beta})$

Hopf fibration:  $S^3 \subset \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow S^2$   
 $(z, \eta) \mapsto (2\Re \eta, |z|^2 - |\eta|^2)$

$(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+|z|^2}}, \frac{z}{\sqrt{1+|z|^2}}) \longleftarrow (\frac{2z}{1+|z|^2}, \frac{1-|z|^2}{1+|z|^2}) \longleftarrow z \in \mathbb{C}$   
 $(\frac{e^{i\alpha}}{\sqrt{1+|z|^2}}, \frac{z}{\sqrt{1+|z|^2}} e^{i\alpha}) \longleftarrow (z, e^{i\alpha}) \in \mathbb{C} \times S^1$

$w = \frac{1}{z}$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+\frac{1}{|w|^2}}} e^{i\alpha} = \frac{|w|}{\sqrt{1+|w|^2}} e^{i\alpha} = \frac{w}{\sqrt{1+|w|^2}} (e^{i\alpha} \frac{|w|}{w})$$

$$\frac{z}{\sqrt{1+|z|^2}} e^{i\alpha} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+|w|^2}} (e^{i\alpha} \frac{|w|}{w})$$

$\rightsquigarrow (w, e^{i\beta}) \in \mathbb{C} \times S^1 \mapsto (\frac{w}{\sqrt{1+|w|^2}} e^{i\beta}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+|w|^2}} e^{i\beta})$

$\Rightarrow$  transition:  $w = \frac{1}{z}, e^{i\beta} = e^{i\alpha} \frac{|w|}{w} = e^{i(\alpha - \arg w)} = e^{i(\alpha + \arg z)}$

Morse function:  $\rightarrow$  Choose the 1<sup>st</sup> (real) coordinate =  $\frac{2 \cos \alpha}{\sqrt{1+|z|^2}}$   
 $\mathbb{C}^2 \ni (\pm 1, 0) \leftrightarrow (z=0, e^{i\alpha} = \pm 1)$