

## The implicit function theorem

let  $f$  a  $C^1$  fun  $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

a level set of  $f$  is  $\{f(x,y) = c\} \quad c \in \mathbb{R}$

consider for example  $0$ -level set

$f(x,y) = 0$  this can be seen as an

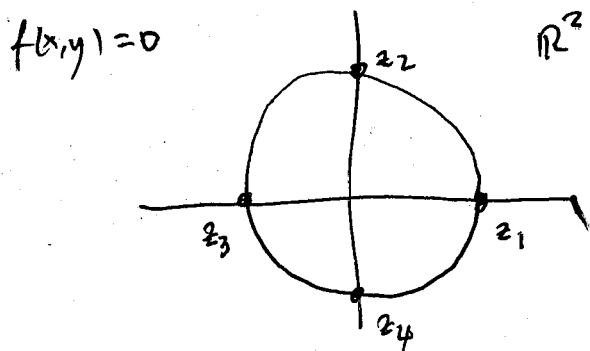
implicit equation for  $y$  in terms of  $x$   
or  $x$  in terms of  $y$

If  $f(a,b) = 0$  and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(a,b) \neq 0$

then locally we can solve for  $\cancel{y(x)}$   $x(y)$  s.t.

$$f(x(y), y) = 0$$

e.g. consider  $f(x,y) = x^2 + y^2 - 1$



$D_2 f(z_1) = D_2 f(z_3) \neq 0$   
so can't solve uniquely for  $y(x)$   
near  $z_1, z_3$

$D_1 f(z_2) = D_1 f(z_4) = 0$  so can't  
solve uniquely for  $x(y)$  there

Thm  
Linear Version

Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $(x, y) = (x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_m) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+m}$

Let  $A \in L(\mathbb{R}^{n+m}, \mathbb{R}^n)$  we can split  $A$  as

$$A_x h = A(h, 0) \quad \text{and} \quad A_y k = A(0, k)$$

$$\text{w/ } A_x \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n), \quad A_y \in L(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{R}^n)$$

$$\text{Then } A(h, k) = A_x h + A_y k.$$

Thm If  $A \in L(\mathbb{R}^{n+m}, \mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $A_x$  is invertible

Then for each  $k \in \mathbb{R}^m$   $\exists!$   $h \in \mathbb{R}^n$  s.t.

$$A(h, k) = 0 \quad \text{i.e.} \quad A(h(k), k) = 0$$

$$\text{and } h = -A_x^{-1} A_y k$$

$$\text{Proof: } 0 = A(h, k) = A_x h + A_y k = 0 \quad \text{iff } h = -A_x^{-1} A_y k$$

Since  $A_x$  is invertible.

## Nonlinear Version

Thm (Implicit Fun Thm) Let  $f$  be  $C^1$  mapping  $E \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+m}$  into  $\mathbb{R}^m$  such that  $f(a,b) = 0$  for some  $(a,b) \in E$ .

Call  $A = f'(a,b)$  and assume that  $A_x$  is invertible

Then there exists open sets  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+m}$ ,  $W \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  w/

$(a,b) \in U$ ,  $b \in W$  ~~having~~  $\Rightarrow$

for each  $y \in W$   $\exists ! x \in U$  s.t.

$$(x,y) \in U \quad \text{and} \quad f(x,y) = 0$$

If we call this  $x = g(y)$  then  $g: W \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

is  $C^1$ ,  $g(b) = a$  and

$$f(g(y), y) = 0 \quad \text{for } y \in W.$$

and 
$$g'(b) = -A_x^{-1} A_y$$

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before going into proof let's discuss implications

and the relationship w/ Inverse function theorem

## Implicit Fun Thm $\Rightarrow$ Inverse Fun Thm

let  $f: E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  be  $C^1$  on  $E$ ,  $f(a) = b$

and  $f'(a)$  is non-singular

Then define  $h(x, y) : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

$$h(x, y) := f(x) - y, \quad h(a, b) = 0$$

now  ~~$D_x h = f'$~~   $D_x h(a, b) = f'(a)$

is invertible so  $\exists$  a neighborhood

$W$  of  $b$  and  $g: W \rightarrow E$   ~~$C^1$~~  s.t.

$$0 = h(g(y), y) = f(g(y)) - y \quad \text{i.e. } g \text{ is inverse of } f$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and } g'(b) &= -(D_x h)^{-1} D_y h|_{a,b} \\ &= -f'(a)^{-1} (-I) = f'(a)^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

## Inverse FT $\Rightarrow$ Implicit FT

let  $h: E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $h(a, b) = 0$  for

some  $(a, b) \in E$

Define  $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m$  by

$$f(x, y) = (h(x, y), y)$$

We want to apply Inverse FT to  $f$ ,

$$f'(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} D_x h & D_y h \\ 0 & I_{\mathbb{R}^m} \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{block matrix})$$

$f'(a, b)$  is invertible iff  $D_x h|_{(a, b)} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is invertible.

If  $D_x h|_{(a, b)}$  invertible then ~~then  $\exists$  an~~

Inverse FT  $\Rightarrow \exists$  a ~~local~~ open nbhd

$U \times W$  of  $(a, b)$  and  $X \times V$  of  $(h(a), b)$   
 $\cong (h(a), b)$

s.t.  $f: U \times W \rightarrow X \times V$  1-1  
and onto

Then define  $g(y) = \pi_x(f^{-1}(0, y))$

where  $\pi_x: \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  def by

$$\pi_x(x, y) = x$$

$g$  defined s.t.

$$f(g(y), y) = (0, y) \quad \text{i.e. } h(g(y), y) = 0$$

since  $g$  is a composition of  $C^1$  mappings

it is  $C^1$  and differentiating

$$h(g(y), y) = 0 \quad \text{we get}$$

$$g'(y) = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \text{Id}_{n \times n} & 0 \end{array} \right] f'(g(y), y)^{-1}$$

$$= \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \text{Id}_{n \times n} & 0 \\ \hline 0 & \text{Id}_m \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{cc} D_x h|_{(g(y), y)} & D_y h|_{(g(y), y)} \\ \hline 0 & \text{Id}_m \end{array} \right]^{-1}$$

$$\cancel{h'(g(y), y)} \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} g'(y) & 0 \\ \hline 0 & \text{Id} \end{array} \right] = 0$$

$$0 = h'(g(y), y) \begin{bmatrix} g'(y) \\ I_d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} D_x h(g(y), y) & D_y h(g(y), y) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} g'(y) \\ I_d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= D_x h g'(y) + D_y h$$

so  $g'(y) = - (D_x h)^{-1} D_y h \Big|_{(g(y), y)} \quad \square$

Applications:

- (Contraction mapping principle) Existence of solutions to systems of ODEs

This will have to wait till our integration.