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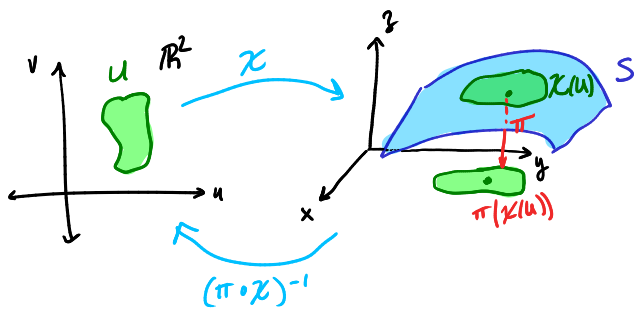
Proposition 1: The graph of $f: U \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a regular surface

Proposition 3: Given a regular surface S , $p \in S$, \exists a neighborhood V of p in S one of $x=h(y,z)$, $y=f(x,z)$, $z=g(x,y)$ such that V is the graph of one of these functions.

Proposition 4: Let p be a point in a regular surface S and let

$\mathcal{X}: U \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be a map with $p \in \mathcal{X}(U) \subset S$ such that \mathcal{X} is differentiable and $d\mathcal{X}$ is 1-1. Assume that \mathcal{X} is 1-1. Then \mathcal{X}^{-1} is continuous.

Proof:



• Without loss of generality, assume

$$0 \neq \frac{\partial(x,y)}{\partial(u,v)} = \begin{vmatrix} x_u & x_v \\ y_u & y_v \end{vmatrix}$$

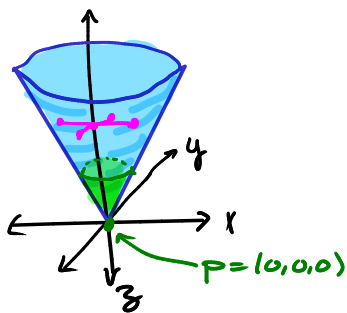
• $\pi \circ \mathcal{X}$ has an inverse by the inverse function theorem.

• We have $\mathcal{X}^{-1} = (\pi \circ \mathcal{X})^{-1} \circ \pi$
continuous

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{X}^{-1}$ is also continuous.

□

Example: Consider C defined by $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ $(x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$



• Intuitively, we know that this should not be a regular surface (due to the sharp "point") but how do we prove it?

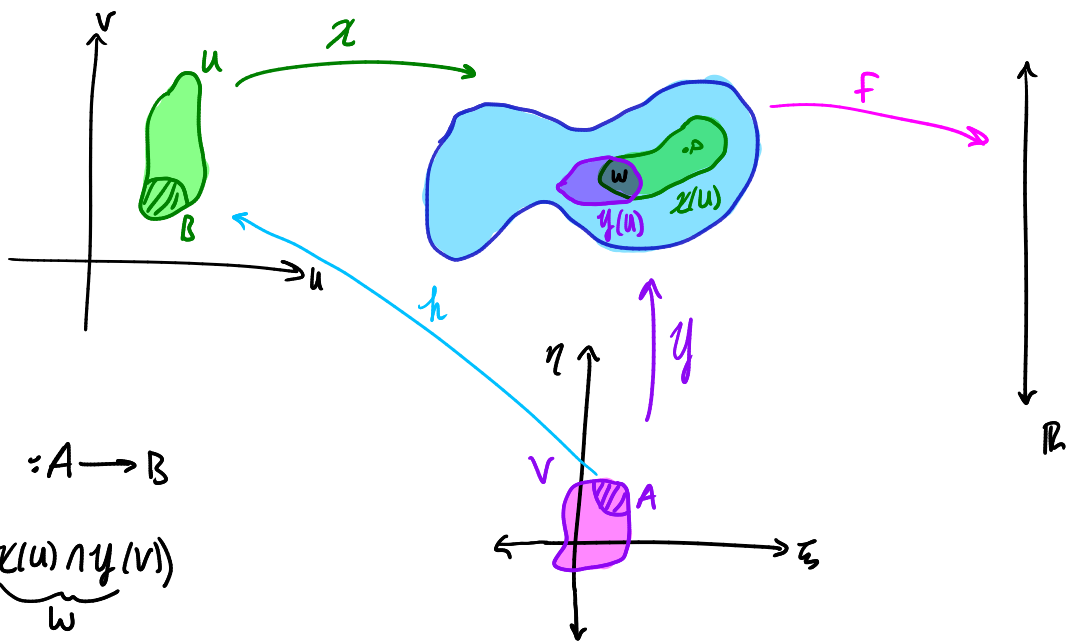
• Use proposition 3. Can C be the graph of $x=h(y,z)$?

• No! Any "functions" describing C of the form $h(y,z)$ or $f(x,z)$ would fail to be functions due to the "vertical line test." (see pink lines \Rightarrow points)

\Rightarrow if C is a regular surface it must be the graph of $z=g(x,y)$.

But $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \Rightarrow$ This must be a parametrization, but it's not differentiable at $(0,0,0) = p \in C \Rightarrow$ it's not a parametrization. $\Rightarrow C$ is not a regular surface! □

Section 2.2 Change of Parameters: Differentiable functions on surfaces.



Let $h = X^{-1} \circ Y : A \rightarrow B$

$$A = X^{-1}(\underbrace{X(U) \cap Y(V)}_w)$$

Proposition 1: Let p be a point of a regular surface S and let $X: U \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ and $Y: V \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be two parametrizations of S such that $p \in X(U) \cap Y(V) = w$. Then the "change of coordinates" $h = X^{-1} \circ Y: A \rightarrow B$ is a diffeomorphism. That is, h is differentiable and has a differentiable inverse h^{-1} . In other words, if X & Y are given by

$$X(u, v) = (x(u, v), y(u, v), z(u, v)) \quad (u, v) \in U$$

$$Y(\xi, \eta) = (x(\xi, \eta), y(\xi, \eta), z(\xi, \eta)) \quad (\xi, \eta) \in V$$

the change of coordinates h given by $u = u(\xi, \eta)$ and $v = v(\xi, \eta)$ ($(\xi, \eta) \in Y^{-1}(w)$), has the property that u & v have continuous partial derivatives of all orders and the map h can be inverted. $\xi = \xi(u, v)$, $\eta = \eta(u, v)$ ($(u, v) \in X^{-1}(w)$) where ξ, η also have partial derivatives of all orders.

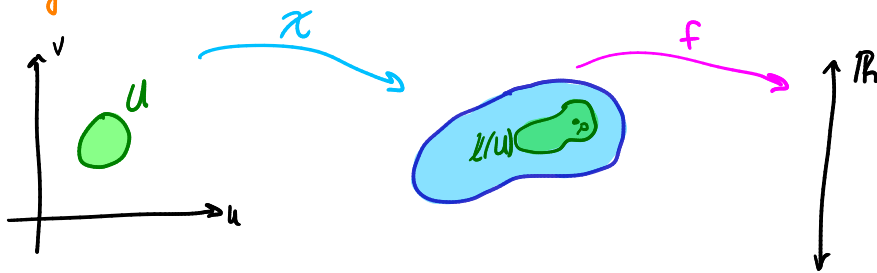
$$\text{Since } h \circ h^{-1} = \text{id}, \quad \frac{\partial(u, v)}{\partial(\xi, \eta)} \cdot \frac{\partial(\xi, \eta)}{\partial(u, v)} = \mathbb{1}.$$

\Rightarrow the Jacobian determinants of both h and h^{-1} have to be nonzero.

Definition: Let $f: V \subset S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function defined in an open subset V of a regular surface S . Then f is said to be **differentiable at $p \in V$** if, for some parametrization $\chi: U \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow S$, with $p \in \chi(U) \subset V$, the composition $f \circ \chi: U \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable at $\chi^{-1}(p)$. f is **differentiable in V** if it is differentiable at all points of V .

- Notice that if $f \circ \chi$ is differentiable then $f \circ \gamma$ is also differentiable because $f \circ \gamma = f \circ \chi \circ \chi^{-1} \circ \gamma$ and $\chi^{-1} \circ \gamma$ is differentiable by proposition 1. \Rightarrow this definition is coordinate independent.

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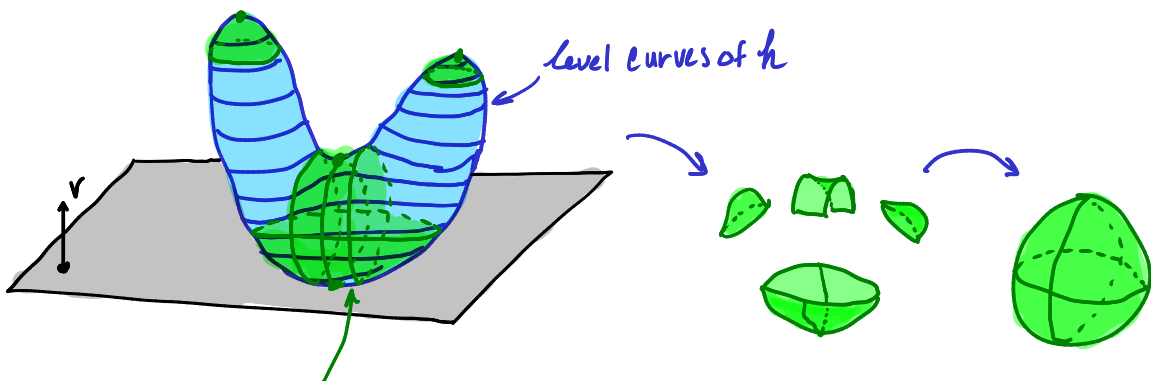


Notation: We identify $f, f \circ \chi$ with $f(u, v)$ and refer to $f(u, v)$ as the **coordinate expression of f** .

We will also identify U with $\chi(U)$.

Example: Let S be a regular surface and $V \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ be an open set such that $S \subset V$. Let $f: V \subset \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable. Then the restriction of f to S (denoted by $f|_S: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$) is a differentiable function on S . In particular,

1. The Height Function relative to a unit vector $v \in \mathbb{R}^3$ $h: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $h(p) = p \cdot v$. (We normally take $v = e_3$ so that $p \cdot v = z$ -coordinate of p)



The critical points of the height function tell you how to "build" surfaces (& other shapes maybe of higher dimension) out of simpler shapes. (This is an area of topology called Morse Theory)