

Review : Implicit Function Theorem and  
Inverse Function Theorem

Statement :

Thm (Inverse Function Theorem)

Suppose •  $f: \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be  $C^1$ ,  $f(x^0) = y^0$   
•  $Df(x^0)$  is invertible.

Then  $\exists$  open sets  $V_1$  containing  $x^0$ ,  
 $V_2$  containing  $y^0$

and a  $C^1$  function  $g: V_2 \rightarrow V_1$  such that

(1)  $g(y^0) = x^0$

(2)  $g(f(x)) = x, \forall x \in V_1; f(g(y)) = y, \forall y \in V_2$

(inverse to each other when restricted to  $V_1$  &  $V_2$ )  
i.e.  $g$  is a local inverse of  $f$ .

(3)  $Dg(y^0) = Df(x^0)^{-1}$ .

Remarks: (1)  $Df(x^0)$  is invertible  $\Leftrightarrow \det(Df(x^0)) \neq 0$ .

(2) Existence of inverse is only local (in  $V_1$ ), not necessary global (whole  $\Omega$ )

(3) If  $n=1$ , " $f: \Omega \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ", then

the matrix  $Df(x^0) = [f'(x^0)]$  invertible

$$\Leftrightarrow f'(x^0) \neq 0 \left( \begin{array}{l} \Rightarrow f \text{ strictly increasing or} \\ \text{decreasing at } x^0 \\ \& \text{ hence invertible (locally)} \end{array} \right)$$

And the inverse  $g = f^{-1}$  has derivative

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(y^0) = \frac{1}{\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x^0)} \quad \text{where } y^0 = f(x^0)$$

i.e.

$$Dg(y^0) = \left[ \frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(y^0) \right] = \left[ \frac{1}{\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x^0)} \right] = Df(x^0)^{-1}$$

↑  
inverse matrix

$$\text{eg: } f = \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 \\ (x, y) \mapsto (x^2 - y^2, xy)$$

Clearly  $f(-x, -y) = f(x, y)$ , 2 to 1 for most points,  
and hence  $f$  has no global inverse.

How about local inverse near a point?

Solu: Denote  $f(x,y) = \begin{bmatrix} f_1(x,y) \\ f_2(x,y) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x^2 - y^2 \\ xy \end{bmatrix}$

Then  $Df(x,y) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2x & -2y \\ y & x \end{bmatrix}$

$$\det Df(x,y) = 2x^2 + 2y^2 > 0 \Leftrightarrow (x,y) \neq (0,0).$$

Then Inverse Function Theorem  $\Rightarrow$   $f$  is locally invertible near any point  $(x,y) \neq (0,0)$ .

(And partial derivatives of the inverse can be found accordingly.)

Concretely, find locally inverse at  $(1,2)$

$$\text{let } \begin{cases} u = x^2 - y^2 \\ v = xy \end{cases} \quad \left( \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = g \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = f^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

$$\text{Near } (1,2), x \neq 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} y = \frac{v}{x} \text{ and} \\ u = x^2 - \left(\frac{v}{x}\right)^2 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = \frac{u \pm \sqrt{u^2 + 4v^2}}{2}$$

Note that (i) 
$$\begin{cases} u = u(1,2) = -3 \\ v = v(1,2) = 2 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow u^2 + 4v^2 = (-3)^2 + 4(2)^2 = 25 \neq 0$$

(ii) at  $(u,v) = (-3,2)$  &  $(x,y) = (1,2)$

$$1^2 = \frac{(-3) \pm \sqrt{25}}{2}$$

$\Rightarrow$  "-" sign should be rejected,

and 
$$x^2 = \frac{u + \sqrt{u^2 + 4v^2}}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \sqrt{\frac{u + \sqrt{u^2 + 4v^2}}{2}} \quad (\text{since } x=1)$$

Then 
$$y = \frac{v}{\sqrt{\frac{u + \sqrt{u^2 + 4v^2}}{2}}}$$

$\therefore$  The local inverse at  $(x,y) = (1,2)$  ( $(u,v) = (-3,2)$ )

is 
$$g(u,v) = \left( \sqrt{\frac{u + \sqrt{u^2 + 4v^2}}{2}}, \frac{v}{\sqrt{\frac{u + \sqrt{u^2 + 4v^2}}{2}}} \right)$$

if  $(x,y) = (0,0)$   
 then  $(u,v) = (0,0)$   
 $\Rightarrow$  no way  
 to choose  
 "+"!  
 And cannot  
 find the  
 function.

# Statement

## Thm (Implicit Function Theorem (IFT))

Let  $G: \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+k} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$  be  $C^1$

Denote points on  $\Omega$  by  $(x, y) = (x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_k)$

(i.e.  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  &  $y = (y_1, \dots, y_k)$ ) and represent  $G$  by

$$G(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} g_1(x, y) \\ \vdots \\ g_k(x, y) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} g_1(x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_k) \\ \vdots \\ g_k(x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_k) \end{bmatrix}$$

Suppose  $(x^0, y^0) \in \Omega$  such that

$$G(x^0, y^0) = c = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_k \end{bmatrix}$$

and the  $k \times k$  matrix

$$\left[ \frac{\partial g_i}{\partial y_j}(x^0, y^0) \right]_{1 \leq i, j \leq k} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial y_1}(x^0, y^0) & \dots & \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial y_k}(x^0, y^0) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial g_k}{\partial y_1}(x^0, y^0) & \dots & \frac{\partial g_k}{\partial y_k}(x^0, y^0) \end{bmatrix} \text{ is invertible.}$$

Then  $\exists$  open sets  $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  containing  $x^0$  and  $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^k$  containing

$y^0$ , and a  $C^1$  map  $\varphi: U \xrightarrow{\subset \mathbb{R}^n} V \subset \mathbb{R}^k$

$$x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \mapsto (\varphi_1(x), \dots, \varphi_k(x)) \\ (= (y_1, \dots, y_k))$$

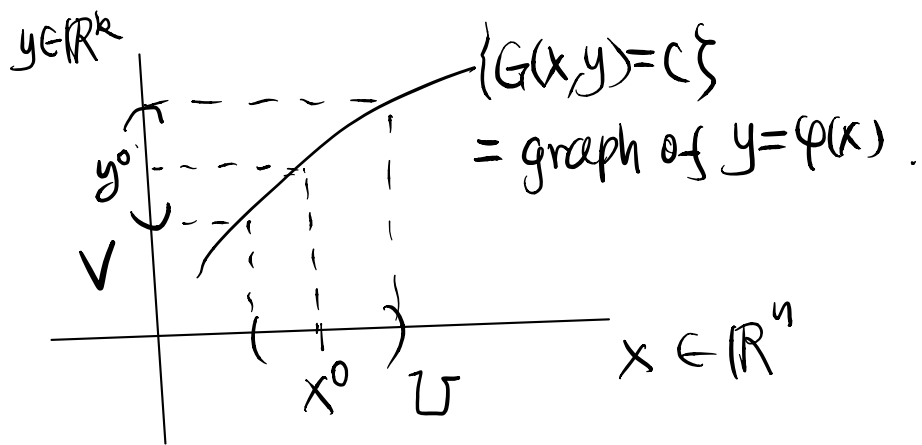
such that

(1)  $\varphi(x^0) = y^0$

(2)  $G(x, \varphi(x)) = c, \forall x \in U.$

(3) 
$$\left[ \frac{\partial \varphi_l}{\partial x_j}(x^0) \right]_{k \times n} = - \left[ \frac{\partial g_i}{\partial y_l}(x^0, y^0) \right]_{k \times k}^{-1} \left[ \frac{\partial g_i}{\partial x_j}(x^0, y^0) \right]_{k \times n}$$

(follows from implicit differentiation.)



Note: For convenience, we put all the  $(y_1, \dots, y_k)$  after  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$   
 and solve  $(y_1, \dots, y_k)$  as functions of  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ .  
 But, in fact, the ordering of the variables is  
 unimportant.

Special case A :  $n=2, k=1$

$$G = \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{2+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

general notation	$(x, y, z)$ notation
$G(x, y) = g(x_1, x_2, y) = c$	$G(x, y, z) = g(x, y, z) = c$
And $x^0 = (x_1^0, x_2^0) \in \mathbb{R}^2, y^0 \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $g(x^0, y^0) = g(x_1^0, x_2^0, y^0) = c$ .	And $(x_0, y_0) \in \mathbb{R}^2, z_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $g(x_0, y_0, z_0) = c$
$k \times k$ matrix becomes $1 \times 1$ and is $\left[ \frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(x^0, y^0) \right]$ is invertible $\Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(x^0, y^0) \neq 0$ .	$(1 \times 1$ matrix) $\left[ \frac{\partial g}{\partial z}(x_0, y_0) \right]$ is invertible $\Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial g}{\partial z}(x_0, y_0) \neq 0$
"IFT" $\frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(x^0, y^0) \neq 0$ $\Rightarrow \exists y = y(x_1, x_2)$ near $(x_1^0, x_2^0, y^0)$ s.t. $\begin{cases} g(x_1, x_2, y(x_1, x_2)) = c \\ y(x_1^0, x_2^0) = y^0 \end{cases}$ (And $\frac{\partial y}{\partial x_i}(x_1^0, x_2^0), i=1,2$ , can be calculated using implicit differentiation.)	"IFT" $\frac{\partial g}{\partial z}(x_0, y_0) \neq 0$ $\Rightarrow \exists z = z(x, y)$ near $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$ s.t. $\begin{cases} g(x, y, z(x, y)) = c \\ z(x_0, y_0) = z_0 \end{cases}$ (And $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0), \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)$ can be calculated using implicit differentiation.)

Special case B :  $n=1, k=2$

$$G: \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^{1+2} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$

General notation

$$G(x, y_1, y_2) = \begin{bmatrix} g_1(x, y_1, y_2) \\ g_2(x, y_1, y_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

And  $x^0 \in \mathbb{R}$  &  $y^0 = (y_1^0, y_2^0) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

s.t.

$$G(x^0, y_1^0, y_2^0) = \begin{bmatrix} g_1(x^0, y_1^0, y_2^0) \\ g_2(x^0, y_1^0, y_2^0) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$(x, y, z)$  notation

$$G(x, y, z) = \begin{bmatrix} g_1(x, y, z) \\ g_2(x, y, z) \end{bmatrix}$$

And  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$  &  $(y_0, z_0) \in \mathbb{R}^2$   
s.t.

$$G(x_0, y_0, z_0) = \begin{bmatrix} g_1(x_0, y_0, z_0) \\ g_2(x_0, y_0, z_0) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$k \times k$  matrix is the  $2 \times 2$  matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial y_1}(x^0, y_1^0, y_2^0) & \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial y_2}(x^0, y_1^0, y_2^0) \\ \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial y_1}(x^0, y_1^0, y_2^0) & \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial y_2}(x^0, y_1^0, y_2^0) \end{bmatrix}$$

$k \times k$  matrix is the  $2 \times 2$  matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0, z_0) & \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial z}(x_0, y_0, z_0) \\ \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0, z_0) & \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial z}(x_0, y_0, z_0) \end{bmatrix}$$

"IFT"

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial y_1} & \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial y_2} \\ \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial y_1} & \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial y_2} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \text{ exists } (\Leftrightarrow \det \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial y_1} & \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial y_2} \\ \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial y_1} & \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial y_2} \end{bmatrix}(x^0, y_1^0, y_2^0) \neq 0)$$

$\Rightarrow y_1, y_2$  can be written as functions of  $x$  (locally) s.t.

$$\begin{cases} g_1(x, y_1(x), y_2(x)) = c_1 \\ g_2(x, y_1(x), y_2(x)) = c_2 \\ y_1(x^0) = y_1^0, y_2(x^0) = y_2^0. \end{cases}$$

"IFT"

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial z} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \text{ exists } (\Leftrightarrow \det \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial z} \end{bmatrix}(x_0, y_0, z_0) \neq 0)$$

$\Rightarrow y, z$  can be written as functions of  $x$  (locally) s.t.

$$\begin{cases} g_1(x, y(x), z(x)) = c_1 \\ g_2(x, y(x), z(x)) = c_2 \\ y(x_0) = y_0, z(x_0) = z_0. \end{cases}$$

(Partially derivatives can be calculated using implicit differentiation.)



Eg: Let a set  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$  be defined by

$$\begin{cases} xz + \sin(zy - x^2) = 8 \\ x + 4y + 3z = 18 \end{cases}$$

Near the point  $(2, 1, 4)$ , can we solve 2 of variables as functions of the remaining variable?

Solu: let  $\begin{cases} g_1(x, y, z) = xz + \sin(zy - x^2) \\ g_2(x, y, z) = x + 4y + 3z \end{cases}$

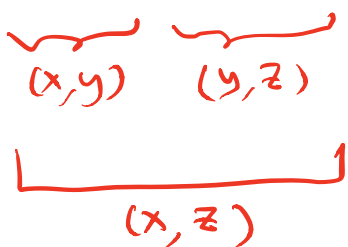
Calculate the matrix, at  $(2, 1, 4)$ ,

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\nabla g_1 \\ -\nabla g_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial z} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} z - 2x \cos(zy - x^2) & z \cos(zy - x^2) & x + y \cos(zy - x^2) \\ 1 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{at } (2, 1, 4)$$

check 3 cases:



(i) The  $2 \times 2$  matrix corresponding to  $(x, y)$  variables has

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = -4 \neq 0$$

IFT  $\Rightarrow x, y$  can be written as functions of  $z$

$$\text{such that } \begin{cases} g_1(x(z), y(z), z) = c_1 & \text{locally} \\ g_2(x(z), y(z), z) = c_2 \\ x(4) = 2, y(4) = 1 \end{cases}$$

(ii) The  $2 \times 2$  matrix corresponding to  $(x, z)$  variables has

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = -3 \neq 0$$

IFT  $\Rightarrow x, z$  can be written as functions of  $y$

such that

$$\begin{cases} g_1(x(y), y, z(y)) = c_1 \\ g_2(x(y), y, z(y)) = c_2 \\ x(1) = 2, z(1) = 4 \end{cases}$$

(iii) The  $2 \times 2$  matrix corresponding to  $(y, z)$  variables has

$$\begin{vmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 4 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

IFT doesn't apply & we have no conclusion.

If fact : In this particular example,

if  $y = y(x)$  &  $z = z(x)$  near  $(2, 1, 4)$ .

Then implicit differentiation  $\Rightarrow$

$$\begin{cases} 0 + 4 \frac{dy}{dx} + 3 \frac{dz}{dx} = 0 & \text{at } x=2 \\ 1 + 4 \frac{dy}{dx} + 3 \frac{dz}{dx} = 0 & (y=1, z=4) \end{cases}$$

which is a contradiction.

$\Rightarrow$  We cannot find "differentiable" functions  $y = y(x)$  &  $z = z(x)$  solving the constraints.