# MTH 508/608: Introduction to Differentiable Manifolds and Lie Groups Semester 1, 2024-25

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# 1 Differentiable manifolds

#### 1.1 Review of multivariable differential calculus

#### 1.1.1 Real-valued differentiable functions

(i) **Definition.** Let  $f : U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$ , where *U* is an open set. Then for  $1 \le k \le n$ , the  $k^{th}$  partial derivative  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_k}$  at  $a = (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in U$  is defined by:

$$\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_k}\right)_a = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(a_1, \dots, a_k + h, \dots, a_n) - f(a)}{h}.$$

- (ii) **Definition.** A function  $f : U(\subset \mathbb{R}^n) \to \mathbb{R}$  is said to be *continuously differentiable* on *U* (in symbols  $f \in C^1(U)$ ) if for  $1 \le k \le n$ ,  $\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_k}\right)$  is well-defined and continuous on *U*.
- (iii) A function  $f: U(\subset \mathbb{R}^n) \to \mathbb{R}$  is said to be *differentiable* at  $a \in U$  if there exists constants  $b_1, \ldots, b_n$  and a function r(x, a) defined on a neighborhood  $V \ni a$  in U satisfying the following conditions.

(a) 
$$f(x) = f(a) + \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i (x_i - a_i) + ||x - a|| r(x, a).$$
  
(b)  $\lim_{x \to a} r(x, a) = 0$ 

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- (iv) **Theorem.** Let  $f: U(\subset \mathbb{R}^n) \to \mathbb{R}$ , where *U* is an open set. If *f* is differentiable at  $a \in U$ , then *f* is continuous at *a*, and  $\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_k}\right)_a$  exists for  $1 \le k \le n$  and  $b_k = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_k}\right)_a$ . Conversely, if  $\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_k}\right)$  for  $1 \le k \le n$  exist for each *y* in some neighborhood  $V \ni a$  and are continuous on *V*, then *f* is differentiable at *a*.
- (v) **Definition.** Let  $f: U(\subset \mathbb{R}^n) \to \mathbb{R}$ , where *U* is an open set. Then:
  - (a) f is said to be *r*-fold continuously differentiable (in symbols  $f \in C^{r}(U)$ ) if all of its  $r^{th}$  order partial derivtaives exists at each  $a \in U$  and are continuous on U.
  - (b) *f* is said to be *smooth* (in symbols)  $f \in C^{\infty}(U)$ ) if  $f \in C^{r}(U)$  for each  $r \ge 1$ .

- (vi) **Definition.** A differentiable  $C^r$  curve in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a continuous map  $f : (a, b) \to \mathbb{R}^n$  such that each component function  $f_i : (a, b) \to \mathbb{R}$  for  $1 \le i \le n$  satisfies  $f_i \in C^r(a, b)$ .
- (vii) **Proposition (Chain rule).** Let  $f : (a, b) \to U (\subset \mathbb{R}^n)$  be a differentiable curve, and let  $g : U \to \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable at  $f(t_0)$  for some  $to \in (a, b)$ . Then  $g \circ f$  is differentiable at  $t_0$  and we have:

$$\frac{d}{dt}(g\circ f)_{t_0}=\sum_{i=1}^n\left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial x_i}\right)_{f(x_0)}\left(\frac{dx_i}{dt}\right)_{t_0}.$$

- (viii) **Definition.** We say a domain  $U \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is *star-shaped with respect to*  $a \in U$ , if for each  $x \in U$ , the line segment  $\overline{ax} \subset U$ .
- (ix) **Theorem (Mean Value Theorem).** Let  $f : U (\subset \mathbb{R}^n) \to \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable and let *U* be star-shaped with respect to  $a \in U$ . Then given  $x \in U$ , there exists  $\theta \in (0, 1)$  such that:

$$f(x) - f(a) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \right)_{a+\theta(x-1)} (x_i - a_i).$$

(x) **Corollary.** Let  $f: U(\subset \mathbb{R}^n) \to \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable and let *U* be star-shaped with respect to  $a \in U$ . If for  $1 \le k \le n$ ,  $\left|\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}\right| < k$  on *U*, then for any  $x \in U$ , we have:

$$|f(x) - f(a)| < k\sqrt{n}|x - a|$$

(xi) **Corollary.** If  $f \in C^r(U)$ , then at each  $a \in U$ , the value of any  $k^{th}$  order mixed partial derivative is independent of the order of differentiation.

#### **1.1.2** Differentiable functions $\mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$

- (i) **Definition.** Let  $f: U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ , where *U* is open. Then:
  - (a) *f* is said to be *differentiable of class r* (in symbols  $f \in C^{r}(U)$ ), if  $f_i \in C^{r}(U)$ , for  $1 \le i \le m$ .
  - (b) f is said to be *smooth* (in symbols  $f \in C^{\infty}(U)$ ) is  $f_i \in C^{\infty}(U)$ , for  $1 \le i \le m$ .

(ii) If  $f: U(\subset \mathbb{R}^n) \to \mathbb{R}^m$  is differentiable on *U*, then its *Jacobian matrix* defined by

$$Df := \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix}$$

exists at each  $a \in A$ .

(iii) **Proposition.** A mapping  $f: U(\subset \mathbb{R}^n) \to \mathbb{R}^m$  is differentiable at  $a \in U$  (resp. on *U*) if and only if there exists an  $m \times n$  matrix *A* of constants (resp. functions on *U*) and an *m*-tuple  $R(x, a) = (r_1(x, a), \dots, r_n(x, a))$  of functions on *U* (resp.  $U \times U$ ) such that  $||R(x, a)|| \to 0$  as  $x \to a$  and for each  $a \in U$ , we have:

$$F(x) = F(a) + A(x - a) + |x - a|R(x, a).$$

If such R(x, a) and A exists, then A is unique and A = Df.

(iv) **Theorem.** Let  $f : U(\subset \mathbb{R}^n) \to \mathbb{R}^m$ , where *U* is open, and let *U* be star-like with respect to  $a \in U$ . If *f* is differentiable on *U* with  $\left|\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}\right| \le k$  for  $1 \le i \le m$  and  $1 \le j \le n$ , for every  $a \in U$ . Then:

$$|F(x) - F(a)| \le \sqrt{nmk}|x - a|.$$

(v) **Theorem(Chain Rule).** Let  $f: U(\subset \mathbb{R}^n) \to V(\subset \mathbb{R}^m)$  and let  $g: V \to \mathbb{R}^p$ . If f is differentiable at  $a \in U$  and g is differentiable at b = f(a), then  $h = g \circ f$  is differentiable at x = a and

$$Dh(a) = Dg(F(a))Df(a).$$

- (vi) **Corollary.** Let  $f: U(\subset \mathbb{R}^n) \to V(\subset \mathbb{R}^m)$  and let  $g: V \to \mathbb{R}^p$ . If  $f \in C^r(U)$  and  $g \in C^r(V)$ , then  $g \circ f \in C^r(U)$ .
- (vii) Let  $\mathscr{C} = \{x : (-\epsilon, \epsilon) \to \mathbb{R}^n : x \in C^1(-\epsilon, \epsilon), x(0) = a, \text{ and } \epsilon \in (0, \infty)\}$ . Define an equivalence relation ~ on  $\mathscr{C}$  by  $x(t) \sim y(t)$  is x'(0) = y'(0), for  $1 \le i \le n$ . Then there exists a well-defined correspondence

$$\mathscr{C}/ \sim \leftrightarrow V^n : [x(t)] \leftrightarrow (x'_1(0), \dots, x'_n(0)), \tag{*}$$

where  $V^n$  is vector space of dimension n over  $\mathbb{R}$ .

- (viii) **Definition.** The correspondence in (\*) above induces a vector space structure on  $\mathscr{C}/\sim$  called the *tangent space of*  $\mathbb{R}^n$  at *a* denoted by  $T_a(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .
- (ix) **Definition.** A map  $f : U (\subset \mathbb{R}^n) \to V (\subset \mathbb{R}^m)$  is called a  $C^r$ -diffeomorphism if:
  - (a) f is a homeomorphism and
  - (b) both f and  $f^{-1}$  are of class  $C^r$ .
- (x) Let  $U, V, W \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be open. Let  $f : U \to V$  and  $g : V \to W$  be onto mappings, and let  $h = g \circ f$ . If any two of these are diffeomorphisms, then so is the third.
- (xi) **Theorem (Inverse Function Theorem).** Let  $f : W (\subset \mathbb{R}^n) \to \mathbb{R}^n$  be a  $C^r$  mapping for some  $r \ge 1$ . If for  $a \in W$ , Df(a) is non-singular, then there exists a neighborhood  $U \ni a$  in W such that V = f(U) is open and  $f : U \to V$  is a  $C^r$ -diffeomorphism. In particular, if y = f(x), then

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

- (xii) **Corollary.** Let  $f: W(\subset \mathbb{R}^n) \to \mathbb{R}^n$ , where *W* is open. If Df(a) is non-singular at each  $a \in W$ , then *f* is an open map.
- (xiii) **Corollary.** A  $C^{\infty}$  map  $f : W (\subset \mathbb{R}^n) \to \mathbb{R}^n$  is a diffeomorphism  $W \to f(W)$  if and only if Df is non-singular at each  $a \in W$ .
- (xiv) Let  $f: U(\subset \mathbb{R}^n) \to \mathbb{R}^m$ . Then the rank of Df(x) is defined to be *rank of f at x*.
- (xv) **Theorem (Rank Theorem).** Let  $f: U_0(\subset \mathbb{R}^n) \to V_0(\subset \mathbb{R}^m)$  be a  $C^r$ -mapping and let rank of f be k at each  $x \in U_0$ . If  $a \in U_0$  and b = f(a), then there exists open sets  $U \subset U_0$  and  $V \subset V_0$  with  $a \in U$  and  $b \in V$ , and there exists  $C^r$ -diffeomorphisms  $g: U \to U'(\subset \mathbb{R}^m)$ ,  $h: V \to V'(\subset \mathbb{R}^m)$  such that  $h \circ f \circ$  $g^{-1}(U') \subset V'$  and

$$h \circ f \circ g^{-1}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = (x_1, \dots, x_k, 0, \dots, 0).$$

## **1.2 Smooth manifolds**

#### 1.2.1 Topological manifolds

- (i) **Definition.** A topological space *M* is said to be *locally Euclidean of dimension n* if for each  $p \in M$ , there exists a neighborhood  $U_p \ni p$  and a homeomorphism  $\varphi_p$  from *U* to an open set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , for some fixed *n*. Each pair  $(U_p, \varphi_p)$  is called a *coordinate neighborhood (or chart* of *M*.
- (ii) Definition. An *topological n-manifold* (or a *topological manifold of dimension n*) is a topological space *M* with the following properties.
  - (a) *M* is Hausdorff.
  - (b) *M* is locally Euclidean of dimension *n*.
  - (c) *M* is second countable.
- (iii) Examples of topological *n*-manifolds.
  - (a) An open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is an *n*-manifold.
  - (b) The unit sphere  $S^2$  is a 2-manifold.
  - (c) The torus  $T^2 \approx S^1 \times S^1$  is a 2-manifold.
  - (d) The *real projective* n-space  $\mathbb{R}P^n = \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \{0\}/\sim$ , where  $x \sim y$ , of y = tx, or equivalently, the space of all lines through the origin in  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  is an n-manifold.
  - (e) If *M* is a smoothly embedded 2-manifold in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , then the *tangent bundle of M* defined by  $T(M) := \bigcup_{p \in M} T_p(M)$  is a 4-manifold.
- (iv) **Theorem.** A topological *n*-manifold *M* has the following properties.
  - (a) M is locally connected.
  - (b) *M* is locally compact.
  - (c) *M* is a countable union of compact sets (i.e.  $\sigma$ -compact).
  - (d) *M* is normal and metrizable.
- (v) **Definition.** A *topological n-manifold with boundary* is a Hausdorff, secondcountable space, where each  $p \in M$  has a neighborhood  $U \ni p$  such that U is homeomorphic via (a homeomorphism)  $\varphi$  to either:

- (a) an open set of  $\mathbb{H}^n \partial \mathbb{H}^n$ , where  $\mathbb{H}^n = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n : x_n \ge 0\}$ , or
- (b) an open set in  $\mathbb{H}^n$  with  $\varphi(p) \in \partial \mathbb{H}^n$ .
- (vi) Examples of manifolds with boundary.
  - (a) The annulus  $S^1 \times I$  is a 2-manifold with two boundary components.
  - (b) The torus minus a disk is a 2-manifold with one boundary components.
  - (c) The sphere minus 3 (mutually disjoint) open disks (also known as a *pair of pants*) is a 2-manifold with three boundary components.

#### (vii) Theorem (Classification of 2-manifolds or surfaces).

- (a) Every compact, connected, closed (without boundary), and orientable (resp. non-orientable) 2-manifold is homeomorphic to a sphere with  $g \ge 0$  handles (resp.  $g \ge 1$  crosscaps) attached.
- (b) Every compact and connected 2-manifold with boundary is homeomorphic to a compact, connected, and closed 2-manifold with  $b \ge 1$ mutually disjoint imbedded open disks removed.

#### 1.2.2 Smooth manifolds

- (i) Definition. Two coordinate neighborhoods (U<sub>p</sub>, φ<sub>p</sub>) and (U<sub>q</sub>, φ<sub>q</sub>) of a topological *n*-manifold *M* are said to be C<sup>∞</sup>-compatible (or smoothly compatible) if U<sub>p</sub> ∩ U<sub>q</sub> ≠ Ø implies that both φ<sub>p</sub> ∘ φ<sub>q</sub><sup>-1</sup> and φ<sub>q</sub> ∘ φ<sub>p</sub><sup>-1</sup> are diffeomorphisms.
- (ii) **Definition.** A *differentible* (or  $C^{\infty}$  or *smooth*) structure on a topological manifold *M* is a family  $\mathscr{U} = (U_{\alpha}, \varphi_{\alpha})$  of coordinate neighborhoods of *M* that satisfies the following conditions.
  - (a) The  $U_{\alpha}$  cover M.
  - (b) For any  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , the coordinate neighborhoods  $(U_{\alpha}, \varphi_{\alpha})$  and  $(U_{\beta}, \varphi_{\beta})$  are smoothly compatible.
  - (c) If  $(V, \psi)$  is a coordinate neighborhood that is smoothly compatible with every coordinate neighborhood in  $\mathcal{U}$ , then  $(V, \psi) \in \mathcal{U}$ .

If  $\mathcal{U} = (U_{\alpha}, \varphi_{\alpha})$  satisfies just (a) & (b), it is called an *atlas for M*, and if an atlas for *M* also satisfies (c) it is called a *maximal atlas for M*. Thus, a smooth structure on *M* is also known as a maximal atlas for *M*.

- (iii) **Definition.** A *differentible* (or  $C^{\infty}$  or *smooth*) *n-manifold* is a topological *n*-manifold *M* together with a smooth structure on *M*.
- (iv) **Theorem.** Let *M* be a Hausdorff and second-countable space. Let  $\{U_{\alpha}, \varphi_{\alpha}\}$  be a covering of *M* by smoothly compatible coordinate neighborhoods. Then there exists a unique smooth structure on *M* containing these neighborhoods (called the *smooth structure determined by the*  $\{U_{\alpha}, \varphi_{\alpha}\}$ ).
- (v) Examples of differentiable manifolds.
  - (a)  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with the standard topology is a differentiable manifold with a single coordinate neighborhood ( $\mathbb{R}^n$ , *id*) determining a structure by Theorem 1.2.2 (iv).
  - (b) An *n*-dimensional vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$  is a differentiable *n*-manifold. Consequently, the vector space  $M_n(\mathbb{R})$  of  $n \times n$  matrices over the reals is a differentiable  $n^2$ -manifold.
  - (c) An open subset of a differentiable *n*-manifold is also differentiable *n*-manifold.
  - (d) The general linear group  $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  is a differentiable  $n^2$ -manifold since  $GL(n, \mathbb{R}) = \det^{-1}(\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\})$  under the determinant map  $\det : M_n(\mathbb{R}) \to \mathbb{R}$ .
  - (e) The unit sphere  $S^2 \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  is a differentiable 2-manifold with the differentiable structure determined by  $\{(U_i^{\pm}, \varphi_i^{\pm}) : 1 \le i \le 3\}$ , where

$$U_i^{\pm} = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : \pm x_i > 0\} \text{ and } \varphi_i^{\pm}(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \pi_i(x_1, x_2, x_3),\$$

where  $\pi_i$  denotes the projection onto the coordinate plane with the unit vector  $e_i$  as the unit normal.

(f) The real projective *n*-space  $\mathbb{R}P^n$  is a differentiable *n*-manifold with the structure determined by the coordinate neighborhoods { $(U_i, \varphi_i)$  :  $1 \le i \le n + 1$ }, where

$$U_i = \{q(\bar{U}_i) : \bar{U}_i = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} : x_i \neq 0\}\} \text{ and } q : \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \to \mathbb{R}P^n \text{ is the quotient map}\}$$

and  $\varphi_i : U_i \to \mathbb{R}^n$  is defined by

$$\varphi_i(x_1,\ldots,x_{n+1}) = \left(\frac{x_1}{x_i},\ldots,\frac{x_{i-1}}{x_i},\frac{x_{i+1}}{x_i},\ldots,\frac{x_{n+1}}{x_i}\right).$$

(g) The *Grassman manifold* G(k, n) is defined to be the set of *k*-planes through the origin in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Let F(k, n) denotes the set of *k*-frames (i.e. linearly independent sets of *k* elements) in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Define an equivalence relation ~ on F(k, n) by:

$$X \sim Y \iff \exists A \in GL(n, \mathbb{R})$$
 such that  $Y = AX$ .

Then  $G(k, n) \approx F(k, n) / \sim$ . Hence, G(k, n) is Hausdorff and the quotient map  $\pi : F(k, n) \to G(k, n)$  is open. Given an ordered subset  $J = (j_1, ..., j_k)$  of (1, 2, ..., n) and an  $A \in M_{kn}(\mathbb{R})$ , let  $A_J = (a_{ij_\ell})_{1 \le i, \ell \le k}$  be a  $k \times k$  submatrix of A and  $A'_J$  be the complementary  $k \times (n - k)$  matrix obtained by striking out the columns  $j_1, ..., j_k$  of A. Let  $U_{\overline{J}}$  be the open set of F(k, n) consisting of matrices for which  $A_J$  is nonsingular and let  $U_J = \pi(U_{\overline{J}})$ . Then G(k, n) is a differentiable manifold with a differentiable structure determined by the coordinate neighborhoods  $\{(U_J, \varphi_J)\}$ , where  $\varphi_J : U_J \to M_{k(n-k)} (\approx \mathbb{R}^{k(n-k)})$  defined by  $\varphi(B) = B'_I$ .

(vi) **Theorem.** If *M* is a differentiable *m*-manifold and *N* is a differentiable *n*-manifold, the  $M \times N$  is a differentiable (m + n)-manifold.

#### 1.2.3 Differentiable functions on smooth manifolds

- (i) **Definition.** Let *M* be a smooth manifold. A map  $f: W(\subset M) \to \mathbb{R}$ , where *W* is open, is said to be  $C^{\infty}$  (or *smooth*) if each  $p \in W$  lies in a coordinate neighborhood  $(U, \varphi)$  such that  $f \circ \varphi^{-1}$  is  $C^{\infty}$  on  $\varphi(W \cap V)$ .
- (ii) **Remark.** A  $C^{\infty}$  map as in the Definition above is continuous.
- (iii) Examples of  $C^{\infty}$  maps.
  - (a) The coordinate projections of a coordinate neighborhood  $(U, \varphi)$  defined by  $x_i(q) = \pi_i(\varphi(q))$ , for each  $q \in U$  are  $C^{\infty}$ .
  - (b) If  $F \in C^{\infty}(W)$  and  $V \subset W$  is open, then  $F|_W \in C^{\infty}(W)$ .
  - (c) If  $W = \bigcup_{\alpha} V_{\alpha}$ , where  $V_{\alpha}$  is open and  $F \in C^{\infty}(V_{\alpha})$  for each  $\alpha$ , then  $f \in C^{\infty}(W)$ .
  - (d) If  $f \in C^{\infty}(W)$  and  $(V, \psi)$  is a coordinate neighborhood such that  $V \cap W \neq \emptyset$ , then  $f \circ \psi^{-1} \in C^{\infty}(\psi(V \cap W))$ .

- (iv) **Definition.** Let *M* and *N* be smooth manifold, and let  $F : W (\subset M) \to N$ , where *W* is open. Then *f* is said to be a  $C^{\infty}$  (or *smooth*) *mapping* if for each  $p \in W$ , there exists coordinate neighborhoods  $(U, \varphi)$  of *p* and  $(V, \psi)$  of f(p) with  $f(U) \subset V$  such that  $\psi \circ f \circ \varphi^{-1} : \varphi(U) \to \varphi(V)$  is  $C^{\infty}$ .
- (v) **Remark.**  $C^{\infty}$  mappings satisfy the following properties.
  - (a) They are continuous.
  - (b) The constructions in Examples (b)-(d) also hold true in the setting of  $C^{\infty}$  mappings.
- (vi) **Definition.** Let *M* and *N* be smooth manifolds. A  $C^{\infty}$  mapping  $f: M \to N$  is said to be a *diffeomorphism* if *f* is a homeomorphism and  $f^{-1}$  is  $C^{\infty}$ .
- (vii) Remark.
  - (a) The relation of diffeomorphism between smooth manifolds is an equivalence relation.
  - (b) Smooth manifolds with the same underlying topological manifolds but incompatible  $C^{\infty}$  structures can be diffeomorphic. For example, consider the smooth structure  $(\mathbb{R}, f)$  on  $\mathbb{R}$ , where  $f(t) = t^3$ . Note that  $f \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})$  and is a homeomorphism, but not a diffeomorphism since  $f^{-1}(t) = \sqrt[3]{t} \notin C^1(\mathbb{R})$ . Furthermore, the smooth structures  $(\mathbb{R}, id)$  and  $(\mathbb{R}, f)$  on  $\mathbb{R}$  are not  $C^{\infty}$  compatible. However,  $\mathbb{R}$  with these two structures are diffeomorphic.
  - (c) It is a non-trivial fact that a topological manifold M can have nondiffeomorphic  $C^{\infty}$  structures. Milnor gave examples of non-diffeomorphic  $C^{\infty}$  structures on  $S^7$ .
- (viii) **Definition.** Let  $F: N \to M$  be a differentiable mapping of smooth manifolds and let  $p \in N$ . Let  $(U, \varphi)$  and  $(V, \psi)$  be coordinate neighborhoods of p and f(p) such that  $f(U) \subset V$ . Then the *rank of f at p* is defined as the rank of  $\psi \circ f \circ \varphi^{-1} : \varphi(U) \to \psi(V)$ .
- (ix) **Remark.** The rank of *f* at *p* is the rank of the Jacobian matrix of  $\psi \circ f \circ \varphi^{-1}$  at  $\varphi(p)$ .
- (x) **Theorem (Rank Theorem).** Let  $F : N \to M$  be a differentiable mapping of smooth manifolds and let  $p \in N$ . Let dim(M) = m, dim(N) = n, and

 $\operatorname{rank}(f) = k$  at each point of *N*. Then there exists coordinate neighborhoods  $(U, \varphi)$  and  $(V, \psi)$  of *p* and f(p) with  $f(U) \subset V$  such that:

- (a)  $\varphi(p) = 0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\varphi(U) = C_{\epsilon}^n(0)$ ,
- (b)  $\psi(f(p)) = 0 \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $\varphi(V) = C_{\epsilon}^m(0)$ , and
- (c)  $(\psi \circ f \circ \varphi^{-1})(x_1, \dots, x_n) = (x_1, \dots, x_k, 0, \dots, 0).$
- (xi) **Corollary.** If  $f : N \to M$  is a diffeomorphism, then  $\dim(M) = \dim(N) = \operatorname{rank}(f)$ .
- (xii) **Definition.** A  $C^{\infty}$  mapping  $f : N \to M$  between smooth manifolds is said to be an *immersion* (resp. *submersion*) if rank $(f) = \dim(N)$  (resp. rank $(f) = \dim(M)$ ).
- (xiii) Remark.
  - (a) Since  $\operatorname{rank}(f) \le \max(\dim(M), \dim(N))$  at every point, it follows that if f is an immersion (resp. submersion), then  $\dim(M) \le \dim(N)$  (resp.  $\dim(M) \ge \dim(N)$ ).
  - (b) If f : N → M is an injective immersion, then using the correspondence N ↔ f(N), f(N) can be endowed with a topology and a C<sup>∞</sup> structure from N under which f : N → f(N) is a diffeomorphism.
- (xiv) **Definition.** Let  $f : N \to M$  is an injective immersion. Then f(N) is called an *immersed submanifold* of *M*.
- (xv) Remark.
  - (a) Immersions need not be injective.
  - (b) Even when injective, an immersion need not define a homeomorphism onto its image.
- (xvi) **Definition.** An injective immersion  $f : N \to M$  that defines a homeomorphism  $\tilde{f} : N \to f(N)$  onto its image is called an *imbedding*.
- (xvii) Example of immersions.
  - (a) The map  $f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}^3$  be defined by  $f(t) = (\cos(2\pi t), \sin(2\pi t), t)$  is an imbedding whose image is an infinite helix on the unit infinite cylinder with the *z*-axis as axis.

- (b) The map  $f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}^2$  defined by  $f(t) = (\cos(2\pi t), \sin(2\pi t))$  a (noninjective) immersion whose image is the unit circle centered at the origin.
- (c) The map  $f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}^2$  defined by  $f(t) = (2\cos(t \pi/2), \sin(2t \pi))$  a (non-injective) immersion whose image is a figure-eight curve (also known as a *lemniscate*).
- (d) The map  $f \circ g$ , where  $g(t) = \pi + 2\tan^{-1}(t)$  and f as in example (c) above, is an injective immersion that is not an imbedding.
- (xviii) **Theorem.** Let  $f : N \to M$  be an immersion. Then at each  $p \in N$  there exists a neighborhhod  $U \ni p$  such that  $f|_U$  is an imbedding of U in M.

#### 1.2.4 Submanifolds

- (i) **Definition.** A subset *N* of a smooth *m*-manifold *M* is said to have the *n*-submanifold property if each  $p \in N$  has a coordinate neighborhood  $(U, \varphi)$  on *M* such that: .
  - (a)  $\varphi(p) = 0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,
  - (b)  $\varphi(U) = C_{\epsilon}^{m}(0)$ , and
  - (c)  $\varphi(U \cap N) = \{x \in C_{\epsilon}^{m}(0) : x_{n+1} = \dots = x_{m} = 0\}.$

If an  $N \subset M$  satisfies this property, then any coordinate neighborhood satisfying (a) - (c) above is called a *preferred coordinate neighborhood*.

- (ii) **Lemma.** Let *M* be a smooth *m*-manifold, and let  $N \subset M$  have the smooth *n*-submanifold property. Then:
  - (a) *N* with the subspace topology is a topological *n*-manifold.
  - (b) Each coordinate neighborhood (*U*, φ) on *M* defines a coordinate neighborhood (*U* ∩ *N*, π ∘ φ|<sub>V</sub>) on *M* and these coordinate neighborhoods define an induced C<sup>∞</sup> structure on *N*.
  - (c) Relative to the induced structure above, the inclusion  $N \hookrightarrow M$  is an imbedding.
- (iii) **Definition.** A *regular submanifold* N of a smooth m-manifold M is a subspace of M with the n-submanifold property and with  $C^{\infty}$  structure that the corresponding preferred coordinate neighborhoods determine on it.

- (iv) **Theorem.** Let N' and M be smooth smooth manifolds of dimensions n and n respectively, and let  $f : N' \to M$  be an imbedding. Then:
  - (a) N = f(N') has the *n*-submanifold property and is hence a regular submanifold of *M*, and
  - (b) f defines a diffeomorphism  $\tilde{f}: N' \to N$  onto its image.
- (v) **Theorem.** Let N' and M be smooth manifolds of dimensions n and m respectively, and  $f: N' \to M$  is an injective immersion. If N is compact, then N = f(N') is a regular n-submanifold. Consequently, a compact submanifold of M is regular.
- (vi) **Theorem (Regular Value Theorem).** Let *N* and *M* be smooth manifolds of dimensions *n* and *m* respectively, and  $f: N \to M$  be a  $C^{\infty}$  mapping. If *f* has constant rank *k* on *N*, then for any  $q \in f(N)$ ,  $f^{-1}(q)$  is a closed regular submanifold of *N* of dimension n k.
- (vii) **Corollary.** Let *N* and *M* be smooth manifolds of dimensions *n* and *m* respectively, and  $f : N \to M$  be a  $C^{\infty}$  mapping. If  $m \le n$  and  $\operatorname{rank}(f) = m$  at each point of  $A = f^{-1}(a)$ , then *A* is a closed regular submanifold of *M* of dimension n m.
- (viii) Example of regular submanifolds.
  - (a) The smooth map  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $f(x_1, ..., x_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2$ . has constant rank 1 on  $\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$ . Thus, by the Regular Value Theorem, the unit sphere  $S^{n-1} = f^{-1}(0)$  is a submanifold of  $\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$ , and hence  $\mathbb{R}^n$  of dimension n-1.
  - (b) The smooth map  $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \left(a - \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2}\right)^2 + x_3^2,$$

where a > b > 0, has constant rank 1 at each point of the torus  $f^{-1}(b^2)$ . Thus, by the Corollary to the Regular Value Theorem, it follows that the torus is a submanifold of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  of dimension 2.

# 1.3 Lie groups and their actions on manifolds

#### 1.3.1 Lie groups

- (i) **Definition.** Let *G* be a group and a smooth manifold. Then *G* is *Lie group* if the group operation *G* × *G* → *G* : (*g*, *h*) → *gh* and the inverse mapping *G* → *G* : *g* → *g*<sup>-1</sup> are *C*<sup>∞</sup> mappings.
- (ii) Examples of Lie groups.
  - (a) The general linear group  $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  is a Lie groups with respect to matrix multiplication.
  - (b)  $\mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  is a Lie group with respect to complex multiplication. Note that  $C^*$  is a smooth manifold with a differentiable structure comprising single coordinate neighborhood  $(U, \varphi)$ , where  $U = C^*$  and  $\varphi : C^* \to \mathbb{R}^2$  defined by  $\varphi(x + iy) = (x, y)$ .
- (iii) **Lemma.** Let  $f : A \to M$  be a  $C^{\infty}$  mapping of  $C^{\infty}$  manifolds. If  $f(A) \subset N$ , where *N* is a regular submanifold, then *f* is a  $C^{\infty}$  mapping onto *N*.
- (iv) **Theorem.** Let *G* be a Lie group and *H* < *G* be a regular submanifold. Then with its differentiable structure as a submanifold, *H* is a Lie group.
- (v) **Theorem.** If  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are Lie groups, then  $G_1 \times G_2$  is a Lie group with the  $C^{\infty}$  structure coming from the Cartesian product of the manifolds.
- (vi) More examples of Lie groups
  - (a) By Theorem 2.1(iv) above,  $S^1 \subset C^*$  is a Lie group. Consequently, by Theorem 2.1 (v), the *n* torus  $T^n = \prod_{i=1}^n S^1$  is a Lie group.
  - (b) The *special linear group*  $SL(n, \mathbb{R}) = \{A \in GL(n, \mathbb{R}) : det(A) = 1\}$  is a Lie group of dimension  $n^2 1$ . This follows from the Regular Value Theorem and Theorem 2.1(iv) since the  $C^{\infty}$  mapping det :  $GL(n, \mathbb{R}) \to \mathbb{R}^*$  has constant rank 1 and  $SL(n, \mathbb{R}) = det^{-1}(1)$ .
  - (c) The *orthogonal group*  $O(n, \mathbb{R}) = \{A \in GL(n, \mathbb{R}) : AA^T = I_n\}$  is a Lie group of dimension n(n-1)/2. This follows from the Regular Value Theorem and Theorem 2.1(iv) since the  $C^{\infty}$  mapping  $f : GL(n, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  defined by  $f(A) = AA^T$  has constant rank n(n+1)/2 and  $O(n, \mathbb{R}) = f^{-1}(I_n)$ .

- (vii) **Definition.** Let  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  be Lie groups. We call an  $f : G_1 \rightarrow G_2$  a *Lie group homomorphism* if:
  - (a) f is a homomorphism and
  - (b) f is a  $C^{\infty}$  mapping.
- (viii) Example of Lie group homomorphisms.
  - (a) The map det:  $GL(n, \mathbb{R}) \to \mathbb{R}^*$  is a Lie group homomorphism.
  - (b) The (covering) map p: ℝ → S<sup>1</sup> defined by p(x) = e<sup>2πix</sup> is a Lie group homomorphism. By extension, p<sup>n</sup> : ℝ<sup>n</sup> → T<sup>n</sup> is a Lie group homomorphism.
  - (c) Consider the covering map  $p^2 : \mathbb{R}^2 \to T^2$  from the preceding example and a line  $L_{\alpha} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  through the origin of irrational slope  $\alpha$  given by  $L_{\alpha} = \{(x, \alpha x) : x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ . Then  $p^2(L_{\alpha})$  is a dense subset of  $T^2$ . Moreover,  $p^2|_{L_{\alpha}} : L_{\alpha} \to T^2$  is an injective immersion. Thus,  $f(L_{\alpha})$  is an immersed submanifold of  $T^2$ .

Moreover, if  $g : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}^2$  is defined by  $g(t) = (t, \alpha t)$ , then  $p^2 \circ g : \mathbb{R} \to T^2$  is a Lie group homomorphism and  $(p^2 \circ g)(\mathbb{R}) = p^2(L_\alpha)$  is Lie group. However,  $p^2(L_\alpha)$  is neither closed or a regular submanifold of  $T^2$ .

- (ix) **Theorem.** If  $f: G_1 \rightarrow G_2$  is a Lie group homomorphism, then:
  - (a) rank(f) is constant and
  - (b) ker f is a closed regular submanifold of  $G_1$ .
- (x) **Theorem.** If *H* is a regular submanifold and a subgroup of a Lie group *G*, then *H* is a closed subset of *G*.

#### 1.3.2 Lie group actions

- (i) **Definition.** Let *G* be a Lie group, and *X* be a smooth manifold. Then *G* acts smoothly on *X* (in symbols *G* ∩ *X*) is there exists a C<sup>∞</sup> mapping θ : G × X → X satisfying the following conditions.
  - (a) If  $e \in G$  is the identity, then  $\theta(e, g) = g$ , for all  $g \in G$ .
  - (b) If  $g_1, g_2 \in G$ , then  $\theta(g_1, \theta(g_2, x)) = \theta(g_1g_2, x)$ , for all  $x \in X$ .
- (ii) Notation

- (a) We often write  $\theta(g, x)$  in the definition above simply as  $g \cdot x$  or gx.
- (b) For a fixed  $g \in G$ , we denote by  $\theta_g$ , the mapping  $x \mapsto gx$ , for all  $x \in G$ .
- (iii) **Remark.**  $G \cap X$  if and only if the map  $G \to \text{Diffeo}(X)$  defined by  $g \mapsto \theta_g$  is a homomorphism.
- (iv) **Definition.** Let *G* be a Lie group, and *X* be a smooth manifold. Then a smooth action of *G* on *X* is *effective (or faithful)* if the homomorphism  $g \rightarrow \theta_g$  is injective.
- (v) Example of Lie group actions.
  - (a) Let *H* and *G* be Lie groups, and  $\psi : H \to G$  a Lie group homomorphism. Then  $\theta : H \times G \to G$  defined by  $\theta(h, x) = \psi(h)(x)$  is a smooth action.
  - (b) The natural action of GL(n, ℝ) on ℝ<sup>n</sup> is a smooth action which has a unique fixed point {0}. Note that this is a transitive action on ℝ<sup>n</sup> \ {0}.
  - (c) If  $H < GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  and the inclusion  $H \hookrightarrow GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  is an immersion or an imbedding, then restricted action of H on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is smooth. For example, the restricted action of the subgroup

$$H = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & a \end{bmatrix} \in \operatorname{GL}(2, \mathbb{R}) : a > 0 \right\},\$$

which is a two-dimensional regular submanifold of  $GL(2, \mathbb{R})$ , on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , is smooth.

- (d) The Lie group  $G = \text{Isom}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cong O(n, \mathbb{R}) \times \mathbb{R}^n$  of rigid motions in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  acts smoothly on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and this action is given by  $\theta : G \times \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$ , where  $\theta((A, b), x) = Ax + b$ .
- (e) The group  $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  acts transitively on the set  $\mathscr{B}$  of bases of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  (also known as the space of *n*-frames of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ). Given a basis  $f = \{f_1, \ldots, f_n\}$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , there exists a unique matrix in  $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  that maps the standard basis  $e = \{e_1, \ldots, e_n\}$  to f. Thus, there is a correspondence  $\mathscr{B} \leftrightarrow GL(n, \mathbb{R})$ , which is a diffeomorphism. Hence,  $\mathscr{B}$  is a smooth manifold and the action of  $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  on  $\mathscr{B}$  is smooth.
- (f) The Lie group  $O(n, \mathbb{R})$  acts on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  smoothly and the orbits of this action are concentric spheres centered at the origin. Thus,  $\mathbb{R}^n/O(n) \approx [0,\infty)$  which is not a smooth manifold.

- (vi) **Theorem.** Let *G* be a Lie group and H < G in an algebraic subgroup. Then the map  $G \rightarrow G/H$  is continuous and open. Furthermore, G/H is Hausdorff if and only if *H* is closed.
- (vii) **Definition.** The action of a Lie group *G* on a manifold *X* is said to be free if  $g \cdot x = x$  for any  $g \in G$  and  $x \in X$ , then it would imply that g = e.

#### 1.3.3 Discrete groups and properly discontinuous actions

- (i) **Definition.** A *discrete group*  $\Gamma$  is a countable group with the discrete topology.
- (ii) **Remark.** A discrete group is a zero-dimensional Lie group.
- (iii) **Definition.** A discrete group  $\Gamma$  is said to act *properly discontinuously* on a manifold  $\tilde{M}$  if the action is  $C^{\infty}$  satisfying the following conditions.
  - (a) Each  $x \in \tilde{M}$  has a neighborhood  $U \ni x$  such that  $\{h \in \Gamma : h(U) \cap U \neq \emptyset\}$  is finite.
  - (b) If  $x, y \in \tilde{M}$  are not in the same orbit, then there exists neighborhoods  $U \ni x$  and  $V \ni y$  such that  $U \cap \Gamma(V) = \emptyset$ .
- (iv) **Remark.** If a discrete group  $\Gamma$  acts properly discontinuously on a manifold  $\tilde{M}$ , then  $\tilde{M}/\Gamma$  is Hausdorff.
- (v) **Definition.** Let  $\tilde{M}$  and M be smooth manifolds, and let  $\pi : \tilde{M} \to M$  be a smooth and surjective map. The  $\pi$  is said to be a *covering map* if at each  $p \in M$  there exists a connected neighborhood  $U \ni p$  such that:
  - (a)  $\pi^{-1}(U) = \bigsqcup_{\alpha} V_{\alpha}$ , where  $V_{\alpha}$  is open, and
  - (b) for each  $\alpha$ ,  $\pi|_{V_{\alpha}} : V_{\alpha} \to U$  is a diffeomorphism.

A neighborhood *U* satisfying properties (a) and (b) is a called an *evenly covered neighborhood*. If there exists a covering map  $\pi : \tilde{M} \to M$ , then the manifold  $\tilde{M}$  is said to be a *covering manifold* of *M*.

(vi) **Theorem.** Let  $\Gamma$  be discrete group that acts freely and properly discontinuously on a manifold  $\tilde{M}$ , there exists a unique  $C^{\infty}$  structure on  $M = \tilde{M}/\Gamma$  such that  $\tilde{M}$  is a covering manifold of M.

- (vii) **Remark.** The rank of a covering map  $\pi : \tilde{M} \to M$  equals  $\dim(M) = \dim(\tilde{M})$  since it is a local diffeomorphism.
- (viii) **Lemma** Let *G* be a Lie group and  $\Gamma$  an algebraic subgroup of *G*. Then there exists a neighborhood  $U \ni e$  such that  $\Gamma \cap U = \{e\}$  if and only if  $\Gamma$  is a discrete subspace, in which case  $\overline{\Gamma} = \Gamma$ .
- (ix) **Theorem**. Any discrete subgroup  $\Gamma$  of a Lie group *G* acts freely and properly discontinuously on *G* by left multiplication.
- (x) **Corollary.** If  $\Gamma$  is a discrete subgroup of a Lie group *G*, then  $G/\Gamma$  is a  $C^{\infty}$  manifold and  $\pi: G \to G/\Gamma$  is smooth.
- (xi) **Theorem.** Let  $\pi : \tilde{M} \to M$  be the covering of a smooth manifold M by a connected smooth manifold  $\tilde{M}$ . Then the *group of deck transformations*

$$\operatorname{Deck}(\pi) := \{ f \in \operatorname{Diffeo}(M) : f \circ \pi = \pi \}$$

acts freely and properly discontinuously on  $\tilde{M}$  and the quotient map  $\pi_1$ :  $\tilde{M} \to \tilde{M}/\text{Deck}(p)$  is a covering map. If  $\text{Deck}(\pi)$  acts transitively on the fibers of  $\pi$ , then  $\pi_1$  and  $\tilde{M}/\text{Deck}(\pi)$  can be naturally identified with  $\pi$  and M, respectively.

- (xii) Examples of discrete group actions.
  - (a) The action  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times S^n \to S^n$  defined by ([1], x)  $\mapsto -x$  is a free and properly discontinuous action and under this action,  $S^n/\mathbb{Z}_2 \approx \mathbb{R}P^n$ . Thus, by Theorem 1.3.3 (xi), it follows that the quotient map  $S^n \to \mathbb{R}P^n$  is a covering map and  $S^n$  is a covering manifold of  $\mathbb{R}P^n$ .
  - (b) The action  $\mathbb{Z}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$  defined by

$$((k_1, ..., k_n), (x_1, ..., x_n)) \mapsto (x_1 + k_1, ..., x_n + k_n)$$

is a free and properly discontinuous action and under this action,  $\mathbb{R}^n/\mathbb{Z}^n \approx T^n = \prod_{i=1}^n S^1$ . Thus, by Theorem 1.3.3 (xi), it follows that the quotient map  $\mathbb{R}^n \to T^n$  is a covering map and  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a covering manifold of  $T^n$ .

# 2 Vector fields on manifolds

#### 2.1 Tangent space at a point on a manifold

(i) **Definition.** Let *M* be a smooth manifold. Given any  $p \in M$  consider the collection

 $C_p = \{f : U (\subset M) \to \mathbb{R} : f \in C^{\infty}(U), U \text{ is open, and} U \text{ contains a neighborhood of } p\}.$ 

Define an equivalence relation on  $C_p$  given by  $f \sim g$  if f and g agree on some neighborhood of p. Then  $\mathscr{C}^{\infty}(p) := C_p / \sim$  is called *algebra of germs* of  $C^{\infty}$  functions at p.

- (ii) **Remark.** Given a coordinate neighborhood  $(U, \varphi)$  of  $p \in M$ , the induced algebra homomorphism  $\varphi^* : \mathscr{C}^{\infty}(\varphi(p)) \to \mathscr{C}^{\infty}(p)$  defined by  $\varphi^*(f) = f \circ \varphi$  is an isomorphism of algebras of germs of  $C^{\infty}$  functions.
- (iii) **Definition.** The *tangent space*  $T_p(M)$  *to* M *at* p is the set of all mappings  $\{\mathscr{C}^{\infty}(p) \to \mathbb{R}\}$  satisfying the following conditions for all  $\alpha, \beta \in R$ ,  $f, g \in \mathscr{C}^{\infty}(p)$ , and  $X_p, Y_p \in T_p(M)$ .
  - (a)  $X_p(\alpha f + \beta g) = \alpha X_p(f) + \beta X_p(g)$ . (Linearity)
  - (b)  $X_p(fg) = X_p(f)g(p) + f(p)X_p(g)$ . (Leibnitz rule)
  - (c) The vector space operations:
    - (1)  $(X_p + Y_p)(f) = X_p(f) + Y_p(f).$
    - (2)  $(\alpha X_p)(f) = \alpha X_p(f).$

A tangent vector to M at  $p \in M$  is any  $X_p \in T_p(M)$ .

- (iv) **Theorem.** Let  $F: M \to N$  be a  $C^{\infty}$  map of smooth manifolds, and let  $p \in M$ . Then:
  - (a) The map  $F^*: \mathscr{C}^{\infty}(f(p)) \to \mathscr{C}^{\infty}(p)$  defined by  $F^*(f) = f \circ F$  is an algebra homomorphism.
  - (b) The homomorphism  $F^*$  the induces a dual homomorphism  $F_*: T_p(M) \to T_{F(p)}(N)$  defined by  $F_*(X_p)(f) = X_p(F^*(f))$ .
- (v) Corollary.

- (a) If  $F: M \to M$  is the identity map on a smooth manifold M, then both  $F^*$  and  $F_*$  are identity isomorphisms.
- (b) If  $H = G \circ F$  is a composition of  $C^{\infty}$  maps on smooth manifolds, then  $H^* = F^* \circ G^*$  and  $H_* = G_* \circ F_*$ .
- (vi) **Corollary.** If  $F: M \to N$  is a diffeomorphism of smooth manifold M onto an open set of a smooth manifold N, then each  $p \in M$ , the homomorphism  $F_*: T_p(M) \to T_{F(p)}(N)$  is an isomorphism.
- (vii) **Remark.** Let *M* be a smooth *n*-manifold and let  $(U, \phi)$  be a coordinate neighborhood of  $p \in M$ . Then by Corollary 2.1 (vi),  $\phi$  induces an isomorphism  $\varphi_* : T_p(M) \to T_{\varphi(p)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  at each  $p \in U$ . Consequently,  $\varphi_* : T_{\varphi(p)}(\mathbb{R}^n) \to T_p(M)$  is an isomorphism and for  $1 \le i \le n$ , the images  $E_{ip} = \varphi_*^{-1}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}\right)$  of the natural basis at  $\varphi(p) \in \varphi(U)$  determines a basis of  $T_p(M)$ .
- (viii) **Corollary.** Let *M* be a smooth *n*-manifold.
  - (a) To each coordinate neighborhood  $(U\varphi)$  of a smooth *n*-manifold *M*, there corresponds a natural basis  $E_{1p}, \ldots, E_{np}$  of  $T_p(M)$ , for all  $p \in U$ . Consequently,

$$\dim(T_p(M)) = n = \dim(M).$$

(b) Let *f* be a  $C^{\infty}$  function defined on a neighborhood of *p* and let  $\hat{f} = f \circ \varphi^{-1}$  be its expression in local coordinates relative to  $(U, \varphi)$ . Then:

$$E_{ip}(f) = \left(\frac{\partial \hat{f}}{\partial x_i}\right)_{\varphi(p)}$$

(c) In particular, if  $x_i(q)$  is the  $i^{th}$  coordinate function, then:

$$X_p = \sum_{i=1}^n (X_p(x_i)) E_{ip}.$$

(ix) **Remark.** Let *M* be a smooth *n*-manifold and let  $(U, \phi)$  be a coordinate neighborhood of  $p \in M$ . Since  $E_{ip} = \varphi_*^{-1} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \right)$ , we have:

$$E_{ip}(f) = \varphi_*^{-1}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}\right)(f) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(f \circ \varphi^{-1})\bigg|_{x = \varphi(p)}.$$

In particular, if  $f(q) = x_i(q)$  and  $X_p = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j E_{jp}$ , then we have

$$X_p(x_i) = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j (E_{jp}(x_i)) = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j \left(\frac{\partial x_i}{\partial x_j}\right)_{\varphi(p)} = \alpha_i$$

- (x) **Theorem.** Let *M* and *N* be smooth manifolds of dimensions *m* and *n*, respectively, and let  $F: M \to N$  be a smooth map. Let  $(U, \varphi)$  and  $(V, \psi)$  be coordinate neighborhoods such that  $F(U) \subset V$ , and in these coordinates let *F* be given by  $y_i = f(x, ..., x_n)$ ,  $1 \le i \le m$ . Let *p* be a point with coordinates  $a = (a_1, ..., a_n)$ ,  $E_{ip} = \varphi_*^{-1} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}\right)$ ,  $1 \le i \le m$  be a basis of  $T_p(M)$ , and  $\tilde{E}_{jF(p)} = \varphi_*^{-1} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y_j}\right)$ ,  $1 \le j \le n$ , be a basis of  $T_{F(p)}(N)$ . Then:
  - (a) For  $1 \le i \le n$ , we have:

$$F_*(E_{ip}) = \sum_{j=1}^m \left(\frac{\partial y_j}{\partial x_i}\right)_a \tilde{E}_{jF(p)}$$

(b) In terms of components, if  $X_p = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i E_{ip}$  and  $F_*(X_p) = \sum_{j=1}^m \tilde{E}_{jF(p)}$ , then for  $1 \le j \le m$ , we have:

$$\beta_j = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \left( \frac{\partial y_j}{\partial x_i} \right)_a$$

- (xi) **Remark.** Let *M* be a smooth submanifold of *N*, and let  $F : M \to N$  be an immersion or an inclusion of *M* into *N*. Then we have rank(*F*) = dim(*M*), and hence,  $F_* : T_p(M) \to T_p(N)$  is injective (i.e, an isomorphism onto its image). Consequently,  $T_p(M)$  can be identified with a subspace of  $T_p(N)$ .
- (xii) Applications of Theorem 2.1 (x).
  - (a) *Change of basis formula for*  $T_p(M)$ . We apply Theorem 2.1 (x) to the maps  $F = \tilde{\varphi} \circ \varphi^{-1}$  and  $F^{-1}$ , which give the change of coordinates between the coordinate neighborhoods  $(U, \varphi)$  and  $(\tilde{U}, \tilde{\varphi})$  in  $U \cap \tilde{U}$  on M. For  $p \in U \cap \tilde{U}$ , let  $E_{ip} = \varphi_*^{-1} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}\right)$  and  $\tilde{E}_{ip} = \tilde{\varphi}_*^{-1} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{x}_i}\right)$  be the bases

of  $T_p(M)$  corresponding to  $(U, \varphi)$  and  $(\tilde{U}, \tilde{\varphi})$ , respectively. Then we have:

$$E_{ip} = \sum_{k} \left( \frac{\partial \tilde{x}_{k}}{\partial x_{i}} \right)_{\varphi(p)} \tilde{E}_{kp}, 1 \le i \le n, \text{ and}$$
$$\tilde{E}_{jp} = \sum_{\ell} \left( \frac{\partial x_{\ell}}{\partial \tilde{x}_{j}} \right)_{\tilde{\varphi}(p)} \tilde{E}_{\ell p}, 1 \le \ell \le n.$$

In particular, if:

$$X_p = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i E_{ip} = \sum_{j=1}^n \beta_j \tilde{E}_{jp},$$

then:

$$\alpha_i = \sum_{j=1}^n \beta_j \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \tilde{x}_j} \text{ and } \beta_j = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \frac{\partial \tilde{x}_j}{\partial x_i}.$$

(b) *Tangent to a space curve.* Let  $F : (a, b) \to N$  be a  $C^{\infty}$  curve. Then for  $t_0 \in (a, b)$ , we have  $\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)_{t_0}$  is a basis for  $T_{t_0}(M)$ . If  $p = F(t_0)$  and  $f \in \mathscr{C}^{\infty}(p)$ , then

$$F_*\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)(f) = \left(\frac{d}{dt}(f \circ F)\right)_{t_0}$$

which is called the to the curve F(t) at p. In particular, if  $(U, \varphi)$  are the coordinates around p, then in local coordinates F is given by:

$$\hat{F}(t) = (\varphi \circ F)(t) = (x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t))$$

where each  $x_i$  is a function on *U*. To simplify notation, we write  $x_i(t) = (x_i \circ F)(f)$ , and we have:

$$F_*\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)(x_i) = \left(\frac{dx_i}{dt}\right)_{t_0} := \dot{x}_i(t_0).$$

Applying Theorem 2.1 (x) (with  $E_{1p} = \frac{d}{dt}$  and the *Es* replaces with  $\tilde{E}$ s), we have:

$$F_*\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \dot{x}_i(t) E_{ip}.$$

When  $N = \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\frac{d}{dt}$  is the velocity vector at the point  $p = (x_1(t_0), \dots, x_n(t_0))$ whose components (at p) are  $(\dot{x}_1(t_0), \dots, \dot{x}_n(t_0))$ . This is the vector  $v_p \in T_p(\mathbb{R}^n)$  with initial point  $p = x(t_0)$  and terminal point

$$(x_1 + \dot{x}_1(t_0), \dots, x_n + \dot{x}_n(t_0)).$$

If  $\operatorname{rank}_{t_0}(F) = 1$ , then  $F_*$  is an isomorphism onto its image, and we identify the tangent space to the image curve at p with the subspace of  $T_p(\mathbb{R}^n)$  spanned by  $v_p$ . On the other hand, if  $\operatorname{rank}_{t_0}(F) = 0$ , then  $F_*\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right) = 0$ .

### 2.2 Vector fields

- (i) **Definition.** A vector field X of class  $C^r$  on a smooth manifold M is a mapping  $X : M \to T(M) = \bigcup_{p \in M} T_p(M)$  that assigns to each  $p \in M$  a vector  $X_p \in T_p(M)$  whose components in the local frames  $\{E_{1p}, \ldots, E_{np}\}$  of any coordinate neighborhood  $(U, \varphi)$  of p are of class  $C^r$  on U.
- (ii) Examples of vector fields.
  - (a) The unit gravitational vector field *G* on  $M = \mathbb{R}^3 \{0\}$  of an object of unit mass at 0 is a smooth mapping  $G: M \to T(M)$  defined by

$$G(p) = \sum_{i=1}^{3} -\frac{x_i}{r^3} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \bigg|_p,$$

where  $r = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2}$ .

- (b) Given any coordinate neighborhood  $(U, \varphi)$  on a smooth manifold M, for each  $1 \le i \le n$ ,  $E_i = \varphi_*^{-1} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \right)$  having component  $\delta_{ij}$  is a  $C^{\infty}$  vector field on U. The set  $\{E_1, \dots, E_n\}$  form a basis for  $T_p(M)$  at each  $p \in U$  called the coordinate frame associated to  $(U, \varphi)$ .
- (c) It is known there non-vanishing  $C^{\infty}$  vector fields on even-dimensional spheres, while odd-dimensional spheres have at least one non-vanishing vector field. For example on

$$S^3 = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) : \sum_{i=1}^4 x_i^2 = 1\},\$$

there are three mutually perpendicular unit vector fields given by:

$$X = -x_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + x_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} + x_4 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3} - x_3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_4}$$
$$Y = -x_3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} - x_4 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} + x_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3} + x_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_4}$$
$$Z = -x_4 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + x_3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} - x_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3} + x_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_4}$$

- (iii) **Definition.** A smooth manifold M with a  $C^{\infty}$ -vector field of bases is said to be *parallelizable*.
- (iv) **Lemma**. Let *N* be a submanifold of *M*, and let *X* be a  $C^{\infty}$ -vector field on *M* such that for each  $p \in N$ ,  $X_p \in T_p(N)$ . Then  $X|_N$  is a  $C^{\infty}$ -vector field.
- (v) **Remark.** Let N, M be smooth manifolds, and let  $F : N \to M$  be a smooth map. Then given a vector field X on N,  $F_*(X_p)$  is a vector at  $T_{F(p)}(M)$ . However, this process does not in general induce a vector field on M. This is because:
  - (a) *F* need not be surjective and
  - (b) even when *F* is surjective, there might exist  $p_1, p_2 \in N$  with  $F(p_i) = q$  such that  $F_*(X_{p_1}) \neq F_*(X_{p_2})$ .
- (vi) **Definition.** Let N, M be smooth manifolds, and let  $F : N \to M$  be a smooth map. Suppose there exists a vector field Y on M such that for each  $q \in M$  and  $p \in F^{-1}(q) \in N$ , we have  $F_*(X_p) = X_q$ . Then we say that the vector fields X and Y are F-related and we write  $Y = F_*(X)$
- (vii) **Theorem.** If  $F : N \to M$  is a diffeomorphism, then each vector field *X* on *N* is *F*-related to a uniquely determined vector field *Y* on *M*.
- (viii) **Definition.** Let *M* be a smooth manifold and  $F: M \to M$  be a diffeomorphism. Then *X* is said to be *F*-invariant if  $F_*(X) = X$ .
- (ix) **Definition.** Let *G* be a Lie group and for a fixed  $g \in G$ , let  $L_g : G \to G$  be left multiplication by *g*, that is,  $L_g(h) = gh$ , for all  $h \in G$ . Then a vector field *X* on *G* is a said to *left-invariant* (or invariant under left translations) if  $(L_g)_*(X) = X$  for all  $g \in G$ .
- (x) **Theorem.** Let *G* be a Lie group and  $e \in G$  be the identity element. Then each  $X_e \in T_e(G)$  determines a unique  $C^{\infty}$ -vector field *X* on *G* that is left-invariant. In particular, *G* is parallelizable.
- (xi) **Corollary.** Let  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  be Lie groups and  $F : G_1 \to G_2$  be a homomorphism. Then to each left-invariant vector field X on  $G_1$ , there exists a uniquely determined left-invariant vector field Y on  $G_2$  such that  $F_*(X) = Y$ .

### 2.3 Flows on manifolds

(i) **Definition.** Let θ : ℝ → Diffeo(M) defined by θ(t) = θ<sub>t</sub> be a C<sup>∞</sup>-action on a smooth manifold M. Then θ defines a C<sup>∞</sup>-vector field X<sup>θ</sup> on M given by X<sup>θ</sup>(p) = X<sup>θ</sup><sub>p</sub>, where X<sub>p</sub>θ : C<sup>∞</sup>(p) → ℝ is defined by

$$X_p^{\theta}(f) = \lim_{\Delta t \to 0} [f(\theta_{\Delta t}(p)) - f(p)].$$

The vector field  $X^{\theta}$  is called the *infinitesimal generator of*  $\theta$ .

- (ii) **Definition.** Let  $\theta$  :  $G \to \text{Diffeo}(M)$  defined by  $\theta(g) = \theta_g$  be a  $C^{\infty}$ -action on a smooth manifold M. Then a vector field X on M is said to G-invariant if  $(\theta_g)_*(X) = X$  for all  $g \in G$ .
- (iii) **Theorem.** Let  $\theta : \mathbb{R} \to \text{Diffeo}(M)$  defined by  $\theta(t) = \theta_t$  be a  $C^{\infty}$ -action on a smooth manifold M. Then  $X^{\theta}$  is invariant under  $\theta$ , that is,  $(\theta_t)_*(X^{\theta}) = X^{\theta}$ , for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .
- (iv) **Corollary.** Let  $\theta : \mathbb{R} \to \text{Diffeo}(M)$  defined by  $\theta(t) = \theta_t$  be a  $C^{\infty}$ -action on a smooth manifold *M*. If  $X_p = 0$ , then for each *q* in the orbit of *p*, we have  $X_q = 0$ .
- (v) Theorem. Let θ : R → Diffeo(M) defined by θ(t) = θt be a C<sup>∞</sup>-action on a smooth manifold M. The orbit of p given is either a single point or an immersion of R in M by the map t → θt(p) depending on whether or not Xp = 0.
- (vi) **Remark.** Let  $\theta : \mathbb{R} \to \text{Diffeo}(M)$  defined by  $\theta(t) = \theta_t$  be a  $C^{\infty}$ -action on a smooth manifold M. For  $t_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ , let  $\frac{d}{dt}$  be standard basis of  $T_{t_0}(\mathbb{R})$ , and let  $F(t) = \theta_t(p)$ . Since we have

$$F_*\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right) = X_{\theta_{t_0}}(p) = X_{F(t_0)},$$

it follows that at each  $p \in M$ ,  $X_p$  is tangent to orbit of p and is the velocity vector to  $t \rightarrow F(t)$  in M.

- (vii) **Definition.** Given a vector field *X* on a smooth manifold *M*, we say that a curve  $F: (a, b) \rightarrow M$  is an *integral curve* of *X* if  $\frac{dF}{dt} = X_{F(t)}$  for all  $t \in (a, b)$ .
- (viii) **Remark.** Let  $\theta : \mathbb{R} \times M \to M$  be a  $C^{\infty}$ -action on a smooth manifold M. Then each orbit of  $\theta$  is an integral curve of  $X^{\theta}$ , that is,  $\dot{\theta}(t, p) = X_{\theta(t, p)}$ .

- (ix) Examples of  $\mathbb{R}$ -actions.
  - (a) Let  $M = \mathbb{R}^2$ , and  $\theta : \mathbb{R} \times M \to M$  be defined by  $\theta(t, (x, y)) = (x + t, y)$ . Then  $X^{\theta} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$ .
  - (b) If M' = R<sup>2</sup> \ {(0,0)}, then the θ from (a) does not restrict to an action on M'. However, if we consider the open set W ⊂ R × M' given by

$$W = \left(\bigcup_{y \neq 0} \mathbb{R} \times \{(x, y)\}\right) \cup \{(t, (x, 0)) : x(x + t) > 0\},\$$

then  $\theta' = \theta|_W$  preserves most of the properties of  $\theta$ .

(x) **Definition** Let *M* be a smooth manifold and  $W \subset \mathbb{R} \times M$  be an open set such that for each  $p \in M$ , there exists real numbers  $\alpha(p) < 0 < \beta(p)$  such that

$$W \cap (\mathbb{R} \times \{p\}) = (\alpha(p), \beta(p)) \times \{p\},\$$

so that

$$W = \bigcup_{p \in M} (\alpha(p), \beta(p)) \times \{p\}.$$

Then a *local one-parameter action (or a flow)* on *M* is a  $C^{\infty}$  map  $\theta : W \to M$  such that:

- (a)  $\theta_0(p) = p$  for all  $p \in M$ .
- (b) If  $(s, p) \in W$ , we have:
  - (1)  $\alpha(\theta_s(p)) = \alpha(p) s$ ,
  - (2)  $\beta(\theta_s(p)) = \beta(p) s$ , and
  - (3) for any  $t \in (\alpha(p) s, \beta(p) s)$ , we have  $\theta_{t+s}(p) = \theta_t \circ \theta_s(p)$ .
- (xi) **Remark.** Let  $\theta$  :  $W \rightarrow M$  be a flow on a smooth manifold M.
  - (a) Since *W* is open and  $(0, p) \in W$ , there exists a neighborhood  $U \ni p$  such that  $(-\delta, \delta) \times U \subset W$  for sufficiently small  $\delta$ . Thus,  $\theta$  also has a well-defined infinitesimal generator  $X^{\theta}$  associated to it.
  - (b)  $\theta$  satisfies  $\theta_t^{-1} = \theta_{-t}$ , wherever it is well-defined. In general,  $\theta_t$  need not define a map on all of *M*.
  - (c) Let  $V_t \subset M$  be the domain of definition of  $\theta_t$ , that is,  $V_t = \{p \in M : (t, p) \in W\}$ . For all  $p \in V_t$ , we have  $(\theta_t)_*(X_p^{\theta}) = X_{\theta_t(p)}$ .

- (d) The curve defined  $F(t) = \theta_t(p)$ , for  $t \in (\alpha(p), \beta(p))$  is a  $C^{\infty}$  curve, which is an immersion of  $(\alpha(p), \beta(p))$  if  $X_p \neq 0$ , and is a single point, if  $X_p = 0$ .
- (xii) **Theorem.** Let  $\theta$  :  $W \to M$  be a flow on a smooth manifold M and let  $V_t \subset M$  be the domain of definition of  $\theta_t$ , that is,  $V_t = \{p \in M : (t, p) \in W\}$ . Then:
  - (a)  $V_t$  is an open set for all t and
  - (b)  $\theta_t: V_t \to V_{-t}$  is a diffeomorphism with  $\theta_t^{-1} = \theta_{-t}$ .
- (xiii) **Theorem.** Let  $\theta : W \to M$  be a flow on a smooth manifold M and let  $X^{\theta}$  be its associated infinitesimal generator. If  $p \in M$  is such that  $X_p^{\theta} \neq 0$ , then there exists a coordinate neighborhood  $(V, \psi)$  around p, a v >, and a corresponding neighborhood  $V' \ni p$  with  $V' \subset V$  such that in local coordinates  $\theta|_{(-v,v)\times V'}$  is given by  $(t, y_1, \dots, y_n) \to (y_1 + t, y_2, \dots, y_n)$ . Moreover, in these coordinates, we have  $X = \psi_*^{-1} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}\right)$  for every point of V'.

# 2.4 Existence of integral curves

- (i) **Theorem.** Suppose that for  $1 \le i \le n$ ,  $f_i(t, x, ..., x_n)$  are  $C^r$  functions on  $(-\epsilon, \epsilon) \times U$ , where  $r \ge 1$  and  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is open. Then for each  $x \in U$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  and a neighborhood  $V \ni x$  with  $V \subset U$  such that:
  - (a) For each  $a = (a_1, ..., a_n) \in V$ , there exists an *n*-tuple of  $C^{r+1}$  functions  $x(t) = (x_1(t), ..., x_n(t))$  with  $x_i : (-\delta, \delta) \to U$  satisfying the first-order system of ODEs:

$$\frac{dx_i}{dt} = f_i(t, x), \ 1 \le i \le n \tag{(*)}$$

with initial conditions

$$x_i(0) = a_i, \ 1 \le i \le n.$$
(\*\*)

- (b) For each  $a = (a_1, ..., a_n) \in V$ , the  $x_i(t)$  are uniquely determined in the sense that any other function  $\bar{x}_i(t)$  satisfying (\*) and (\*\*) must agree with x(t) on an open interval around t = 0.
- (c) As the functions  $x_i(t)$  are uniquely determined by  $a = (a_1, ..., a_n) \in V$ , we can write them as  $x_i(t, a_1, ..., a_n)$  for  $1 \le i \le n$ , in which case they are of class  $C^r$  in all the variable and determine a  $C^r$  map  $(-\delta, \delta) \times V \to U$ .

- (ii) **Definition.** If the right hand side of equation (\*) in Theorem 2.4(i) above is independent of *t*, then we say that the system of ODEs is *autonomous*.
- (iii) **Remark.** Consider an autonomous system of ODEs as in Theorem 2.4(i), where the  $f_i$  depend only on  $(x_1, ..., x_n)$ .
  - (a) Define on  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  a  $C^{\infty}$  vector field X by  $X = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$ . An integral curve of X is a smooth mapping  $F : (\alpha, \beta) \to U$  such that  $\dot{F}(t) = X_{F(t)}$  for all  $x \in (\alpha, \beta)$ . Since  $F(t) = (x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t))$ , we have:

$$\dot{F}(t) = X_{F(t)} \iff \frac{dx_i}{dt} = f_i(x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t)), \ 1 \le i \le n,$$

that is,  $x(t) = (x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t))$  are a solution of equation (\*).

- (b) By Theorem 2.4(i), for each *a* in a neighborhood  $V \ni x$ , there exists a unique F(t) satisfying F(0) = a and  $F: (-\delta, \delta) \to U$  for every  $a \in V$ .
- (c) If  $F(t, a) = (x_1(t, a), \dots, x_n(t, a))$ , then  $\dot{x}_i(t, a) = f_i(x(t, a))$  and  $x_i(0, a) = a_i$ , where each is  $x_i$  is  $C^{\infty}$  on  $((-\delta, \delta) \times V)$ , an open subset of  $\mathbb{R} \times U$ .
- (iv) **Theorem.** Let *X* be a  $C^{\infty}$  vector field on a smooth manifold *M*. Then:
  - (a) For each  $p \in M$ , there exists a neighborhood *V* and a real number  $\delta > 0$  such that there exists a  $C^{\infty}$  mapping:

$$\theta^V: (-\delta, \delta) \times V \to M$$

satisfying

$$\dot{\theta}^V(t,q) = X_{\theta^V(t,q)}$$

and  $\theta^V(0, q) = q$  for all  $q \in V$ .

- (b) If *F*(*t*) is an integral curve of *X* with *F*(0) = *q* ∈ *V*, then *F*(*t*) = θ<sup>V</sup>(*t*, *q*), for all |*t*| < δ. In particular, this mapping is unique in the sense that if (*V*<sub>1</sub>, δ<sub>1</sub>) is another such pair for *p* ∈ *M*, then θ<sup>V</sup> = θ<sup>V<sub>1</sub></sup> on the common part of their domains.
- (v) **Theorem.** Let *X* be a  $C^{\infty}$  vector field on a smooth manifold *M*. Then for each  $p \in M$ , there exists a uniquely determined open interval  $(\alpha(p), \beta(p))$  having the following properties:
  - (a) There exists a  $C^{\infty}$  integral curve F(t) defined on  $(\alpha(p), \beta(p))$  such that F(0) = p.

- (b) If *G* is another integral curve with G(0) = p, then the interval of definition of *G* is contained in  $(\alpha(p), \beta(p))$  and  $F(t) \equiv G(t)$  on this interval.
- (vi) **Remark.** Let *X* be a  $C^{\infty}$  vector field on a smooth manifold *M*. By Theorem 2.4 (v), two curves of *X* defined on open intervals  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  that co-incide on  $I_1 \cap I_2 \neq \emptyset$ , define an integral curve on  $I_1 \cup I_2$ . So, let  $F(t) = \theta^X(t, p)$  be the unique maximal integral curve such that F(0) = p and let  $W = \bigcup_{p \in M} (\alpha(p), \beta(p)) \times \{p\}$ . Then:
  - (a) *W* and  $\theta^X$  are uniquely determined by *X*, and *W* is the domain of  $\theta^X$ .
  - (b) *W* and  $\theta^X$  satisfy the following properties.
    - (1) We have  $\{0\} \times M \subset W$  and  $\theta^X(0, p) = p$  for all  $p \in M$ .
    - (2) For each  $p \in M$ , if  $\theta_p^X(t) = \theta^X(t, p)$ , then  $\theta_p^X : (\alpha(p), \beta(p)) \to M$  is  $C^{\infty}$  maximal integral curve.
    - (3) For each  $p \in M$ , there exists a neighborhood  $V \ni p$  and a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $(-\delta, \delta) \times V \subset W$  and  $\theta^X$  is  $C^{\infty}$  on  $(-\delta, \delta) \times V$ .
- (vii) **Corollary.** In the notation of Remark 2.4 (vi) above, let  $s \in (\alpha(p), \beta(p))$  and  $q = \theta_p^X(s) = \theta^X(s, p)$  be the corresponding point of the integral curve determined by *p*. Then:
  - (a)  $\alpha(q) = \alpha(p) s$  and  $\beta(q) = \beta(p) s$ . Thus,  $t \in (\alpha(q), \beta(g))$  if and only if  $t + s \in (\alpha(p), \beta(p))$  and
  - (b)  $\theta^X(t,\theta^X(s,p)) = \theta^X(t+s,p).$
- (viii) **Theorem.** Let *X* be a  $C^{\infty}$  vector field on a smooth manifold *M*. Then:
  - (a) The domain W of  $\theta^X$  is open in  $\mathbb{R} \times M$  and
  - (b)  $\theta^X$  is  $C^{\infty}$  onto M.
- (ix) **Definition.** Let *M* be a smooth manifold, and for i = 1, 2, let  $\theta_i : W_i \to M$  be one-parameter group actions (or flows) on *M*. Then we say  $\theta_1 \cong \theta_2$  if  $\theta_2(x) = \theta_2(x)$  for all  $x \in W_1 \cap W_2$ .
- (x) **Theorem.** Let *M* be a smooth manifold.
  - (a) For i = 1, 2, let  $\theta_i : W_i \to M$  be one-parameter group actions (or flows) on *M*. Then:  $\theta_1 \cong \theta_2$  if and only if  $X^{\theta_1} = X^{\theta_2}$ .

- (b) Furthermore, every  $C^{\infty}$  vector field *X* is the infinitesimal generator of a unique flow  $\theta^X : W \to M$  (called the *maximal flow generated by X*) whose domain *W* is maximal among all  $\tilde{\theta} \cong \theta$ .
- (xi) **Lemma.** Let  $\theta^X : W \to M$  be the flow with maximal domain W and infinitesimal generator X acting on a smooth manifold M. For  $p \in M$ , let  $\theta_p^X : (\alpha(p), \beta(p)) \to M$  defined by  $\theta_p^X(t) = \theta^X(t, p)$  be the integral curve of X through p. If  $\beta(p) < \infty$  and  $\{t_n\} \subset (\alpha(p), \beta(p))$  is a sequence such that  $t_n \to \beta(p)$ , then  $\{\theta^X(t_n, p)\}$  cannot lie on a compact set. In particular,  $\{\theta^X(t_n, p)\}$  cannot approach a limit in M. A similar statement holds for  $\alpha(p)$  with  $\alpha(p) < \infty$ .
- (xii) **Corollary.** Let  $\theta^X : W \to M$  be the flow with maximal domain *W* and infinitesimal generator *X* acting on a smooth manifold *M*. For  $p \in M$ , let  $\theta_p^X : (\alpha(p), \beta(p)) \to M$  defined by  $\theta_p^X(t) = \theta^X(t, p)$  be the integral curve of *X* through *p*.
  - (a) If  $(\alpha(p), \beta(p))$  is a bounded interval, then the integral curve  $\{\theta_p^X(t) : t \in (\alpha(p), \beta(p))\}$  is a closed subset of *M*.
  - (b) If  $X_p = 0$ , then  $(\alpha(p), \beta(p)) = \mathbb{R}$  and if X = 0 outside a compact subset of *M*, then  $W = \mathbb{R} \times M$ .
- (xiii) **Definition.** A  $C^{\infty}$  vector field *X* on a smooth manifold *M* is *complete* if it generates a global action of  $\mathbb{R}$  on *M*, that is, the domain of  $\theta^X$  is  $\mathbb{R} \times M$ .
- (xiv) **Corollary.** If *M* is a compact smooth manifold, then every vector field on *M* is complete.
- (xv) **Theorem.** Let *X* be a  $C^{\infty}$  vector field on a smooth manifold *M* and let  $F: M \to M$  be a diffeomorphism. Then  $\theta^X : W \to M$  be the maximal flow generated by *X*. Then *X* is invariant under *F* if and only if  $F(\theta(t, p) = \theta(t, F(p)))$ , whenever both sides are well-defined.
- (xvi) **Remark.** The main assertion in Theorem 2.4 (xv) can equivalently stated as  $F_*(X) = X$  if and only if  $\theta_t \circ F = F \circ \theta_t$  for all  $t \in V_t$ .
- (xvii) **Corollary.** A left invariant vector field on a Lie group *G* is complete.

### 2.5 One-parameter subgroups

- (i) **Definition.** Let *G* be a Lie group. A *one-parameter subgroup* of *G* is the image  $F(\mathbb{R} \text{ of some Lie group homomorphism } F : \mathbb{R} \to G$ .
- (ii) **Remark.** Let *G* be Lie group and let  $F : \mathbb{R} \to G$  be a Lie group homomorphism. If  $\varphi : G \times M \to M$  is an action of *G* on *M*, then  $\varphi$  induces an  $\mathbb{R}$ -action  $\varphi_F : \mathbb{R} \times M \to M$  on *M* via *F* defined by  $\varphi_F(t, p) = \varphi(F(t), p)$ .
- (iii) Example of one-parameter actions.
  - (a) Let  $G = GL(3,\mathbb{R})$ . Consider the homomorphism  $F_1 : \mathbb{R} \to G$  defined by

$$F_1(t) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{at} & 0 & 0\\ 0 & e^{at} & 0\\ 0 & 0 & e^{at} \end{pmatrix},$$

and homomorphism  $F_2 : \mathbb{R} \to G$  be defined by

$$F_2(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & at & bt + \frac{1}{2}act^2 \\ 0 & 1 & ct \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since GL(3,  $\mathbb{R}$ ) has a natural action on  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , by Remark 2.5 (ii), each  $F_i$  induces an action of  $\mathbb{R}$  on  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . For example  $F_1$  induces that action  $\theta_1(t, x_1, x_2, x_3) = (e^{at}x_1, e^{at}x_2, e^{at}x_3)$  with  $X_x^{\theta} = \dot{\theta}(a, x) = \sum_{i=1}^3 ax_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$ .

(b) Consider the homomorphism  $F : \mathbb{R} \to SO(3)$  defined by

$$F(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(at) & \sin(at) & 0\\ -\sin(at) & \cos(at) & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since SO(3) acts on  $S^2$  by rotations, the action induces an  $\mathbb{R}$ -action  $\theta$  on  $S^2$  (via *F*), which defines a one-parameter group of rotations about the  $x_3$ -axis given by:

$$\theta(t, x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 \cos(at) + x_2 \sin(at), -x_1 \sin(at) + x_2 \cos(at), x_3).$$

The orbits under this action are the latitudes of  $S^2$  and  $X^{\theta}$  is tangent to them and orthogonal to the  $x_3$ -axis.

(c) A Lie group acts on itself by right translation (multiplication) defined by  $\varphi: G \to \text{Diffeo}(G)$  given by  $\varphi(a) = R_a$ . Then  $\varphi$  induces an  $\mathbb{R}$ -action  $\theta: \mathbb{R} \times G \to G$  via a homomorphism  $F: \mathbb{R} \to G$  given by

$$\theta(t,g) = R_{F(t)}(g) = gF(t).$$

- (iv) **Theorem.** Let  $F : \mathbb{R} \to g$  be a one-parameter subgroup of a Lie group *G* and let *X* be left-invariant vector field on *G* defined by  $X_e = \dot{F}(0)$ . Then  $\theta(t, g) = R_{F(t)}(g)$  defines an action  $\theta : \mathbb{R} \times G \to G$  such that  $X^{\theta} = X$ . Conversely, let *X* be a left-invariant vector field and  $\theta : \mathbb{R} \times G \to G$  be the corresponding flow generated by *X*. Then  $F(t) = \theta(t, e)$  is a one-parameter subgroup of *G* such that  $\theta(t, g) = R_{F(t)}(g)$ .
- (v) **Corollary.** Let *G* be a Lie group.
  - (a) There is a one-to-one correspondence between the elements of  $T_e(G)$  and the one-parameter subgroups of G.
  - (b) For  $Z \in T_e(G)$ , let  $\{F(t, Z) : t \in \mathbb{R}\}$ , where  $t \mapsto F(t, Z)$ , be the unique corresponding one-parameter subgroup of *G*. Then  $\mathbb{R} \times T_e(G) \to G$  is  $C^{\infty}$  and satisfies F(t, sZ) = F(st, Z).

### 2.6 One-parameter subgroups of Lie groups

(i) **Definition.** The exponential  $e^X$  of a matrix  $X \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$  is defined by:

$$e^{X} = 1 + \frac{X}{1!} + \frac{X^{2}}{2!} + \dots, \tag{\dagger}$$

whenever the series converges.

- (ii) **Theorem.** Consider the series (†) in Definition 2.6 (i) above.
  - (a) The series converges absolutely for all  $X \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$  and uniformly on all compact subsets of  $M_n\mathbb{R}$ ).
  - (b) The mapping exp :  $M_n(\mathbb{R}) \to M_n(\mathbb{R})$  defined by  $\exp(A) = e^{tA}$  is  $C^{\infty}$  and Im  $\exp \subset \operatorname{GL}(n, \mathbb{R})$ .
  - (c) If  $A, B \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$  such that AB = BA, then  $\exp(A + B) = \exp(A) \exp(B)$ .
- (iii) **Corollary.** For an  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$ , consider the map  $F : \mathbb{R} \to GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  defined by  $F(t) = e^{tA}$ .

(a)  $F(\mathbb{R})$  is an one-parameter subgroup of  $\mathbb{R}$  whose corresponding vector field is given by

$$\sum_{i,j} a_{ij} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{ij}} \right)_{I_n}.$$

- (b) All one parameter subgroups are of this form. Moreover,  $\dot{F}(0) = A = (a_{ij})$ .
- (iv) **Theorem.** Let *G* be a Lie group and let H < G be a Lie subgroup. Then the one parameter subgroups of *H* are those one-parameter subgroups  $F(\mathbb{R}) < G$  such that  $\dot{F}(0) \in T_e(H)$  considered as a subspace of  $T_e(G)$ .
- (v) **Corollary**. Let  $G = GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  and let H < G be a Lie subgroup.
  - (a) The one-parameter subgroups *H* are all of form  $F(\mathbb{R})$ , where  $F(t) = e^{tA}$ .
  - (b) Moreover the entries of  $A = (a_{ij})$  are components of the vector

$$\dot{F}(0) = \sum_{i,j} a_{ij} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{ij}}\right)_e \in T_e(G),$$

which is tangent to *H* at *e*.

(vi) Examples of one-parameter subgroups.

(a) If 
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a & b \\ 0 & 0 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$$
, then

$$e^{tA} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & ta & \frac{1}{2}act^2 \\ 0 & 1 & tc \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathrm{GL}(n,\mathbb{R}).$$

(b) Consider  $H = O(n) < G = GL(n, \mathbb{R})$ . Then

$$\mathfrak{o}(n) = \{A \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) : e^{tA} \in H, \forall t\} = \{A \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) : A^T = -A\}.$$

Hence, dim( $\mathfrak{o}(n)$ ) = n(n-1)/2. A neighborhood of  $O \in \mathfrak{o}(n)$  is mapped diffeomorphically by  $X \mapsto e^x$  to a neighborhood of  $I_n \in O(n)$ .

- (vii) **Definition.** The *exponential mapping* exp :  $T_e(G) \to G$  is given by exp(Z) = F(1, Z), where for  $Z \in T_e(G)$ ,  $t \mapsto F(t, Z)$  is unique one-parameter subgroup determined by Z.
- (viii) **Theorem.** Let *G* be a Lie group.
  - (a) The exponential mapping exp :  $T_e(G) \to G$  is  $C^{\infty}$ .
  - (b) For  $Z \in T_e(G)$ , let  $\{F(t, Z) : t \in \mathbb{R}\}$ , where  $t \mapsto F(t, Z)$ , be the unique one-parameter subgroup of *G* such that  $\dot{F}(0) = Z$ .
  - (c) The Jacobian matrix of exp at 0 is the identity matrix, that is,  $\exp_*$  is the identity.
  - (d) If *G* is a Lie subgroup of  $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$ , then for each  $Z \in T_e(G)$ , there exists  $A = (a_{ij}) \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$  such that

$$Z = \sum_{i,j} a_{ij} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{ij}} \right)_e.$$

Moreover, for this *Z*, we have  $\exp(tZ) = e^{tA}$ .

# 2.7 Lie algebra of vector fields

- (i) **Notation.** Let *M* be a smooth manifold. We denote by  $\mathfrak{X}(M)$ , the module over  $C^{\infty}(M)$  of all  $C^{\infty}$  vector fields on *M*.
- (ii) We say a vector space L over R is a (real) *Lie algebra* if in addition to its vector space structure, it possesses a product map L × L → L taking the pair (X, Y) to the elements [X, Y] of L that satisfies the following properties.
  - (a) It is bilinear over  $\mathbb{R}$ : That is, for any  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $X_i, Y_i \in \mathcal{L}$  for i = 1, 2, we have:
    - (1)  $[\alpha X_1 + \beta X_2, Y] = \alpha [X_1, Y] + \beta [X_2, Y].$
    - (2)  $[X, \alpha Y_1 + \beta Y_2] = \alpha [X, Y_1] + \beta [X, Y_2].$
  - (b) It is skew-commutative: That is for any  $X, Y \in \mathcal{L}$ , we have:

$$[X, Y] = -[Y, X].$$

(c) It satisfies the Jacobi identity: That is, for any  $X, Y, Z \in \mathcal{L}$ , we have:

[X, [Y, Z]] + [Y, [Z, X]] + [Z, [X, Y]] = 0.

- (iii) Examples of Lie algebras.
  - (a) The vector space  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with the usual vector cross product  $\times$  is a Lie algebra.
  - (b) The vector space  $M_n(\mathbb{R})$  with the product defined by [X, Y] = XY YX, for  $X, Y \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$ , is a Lie algebra.
- (iv) **Remark.** Let *M* be a smooth manifold. In general, given  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , the product *XY*, considered as an operator on *M*, does not determine a  $C^{\infty}$  vector field.
- (v) **Lemma.** Let *M* be a smooth manifold. Given  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , we have  $XY YX \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  according to the prescription

$$(XY - YX)_p f = X_p(Yf) - Y_p(Xf),$$

where  $f \in \mathscr{C}^{\infty}(p)$  and  $Xf, Yf \in \mathscr{C}^{\infty}(p)$  are defined by  $(Xf)(q) := X_q(f)$ and  $(Yf)(q) := Y_q(f)$ , for every *q* in some neighborhood of  $U \ni p$ .

- (vi) **Theorem** For a smooth manifold *M*, the space  $\mathfrak{X}(M)$  with the product  $(X, Y) \mapsto [X, Y]$  is a Lie algebra.
- (vii) **Definition.** Let *M* be a smooth manifold and let  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . Let  $\theta^X$ :  $W \to M$  be the maximal flow generated by *X*. Then Lie derivative of *Y* with respect to *X*, is the vector field  $L_X Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  defined by:

$$(L_X Y)_p = \lim_{t \to 0} \frac{1}{t} \left[ (\theta_{-t}^X)_* (Y_{\theta^X(-t,p)}) - Y_p \right] = \lim_{t \to 0} \frac{1}{t} \left[ Y_p - (\theta_t^X)_* (Y_{\theta^X(-t,p)}) \right],$$

at each  $p \in M$ .

- (viii) **Remark.** Let *M* be a smooth manifold and let  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ .
  - (a) The tangent vector  $(L_X Y)_p$  measures the rate of change of *Y* in direction of *X* along an integral curve of the vector field through *p*.
  - (b) If  $Z_p(t) = (\theta_{-t}^X)_*(Y_{\theta^X(-t,p)}) \in T_p(M)$ , viewed as a curve in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $L(XY)_p = \dot{Z}_p(0)$ .

(ix) **Lemma.** Let *M* be a smooth manifold and let  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . Let  $\theta^X : W \to M$  be the maximal flow generated by *X*. Given  $p \in M$  and  $f \in C^{\infty}(U)$ , where  $U \ni p$  is an open set, we choose a  $\delta > 0$  and a neighborhood  $V \ni p$  such that  $\theta^X((-\delta, \delta) \times V)) \subset U$ . Then there exists a  $C^{\infty}$  function g(t, q) defined on  $(-\delta, \delta) \times V$  such that for  $q \in V$  and  $t \in (-\delta, \delta)$ , we have:

$$f(\theta_t(q)) = f(q) + tg(t,q) \text{ and } X_q(f) = g(0,q).$$

(x) **Theorem.** Let *M* be a smooth manifold and let  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . Then we have:

$$L_X Y = [X, Y].$$

(xi) **Theorem.** Let N, M be smooth be smooth manifolds, and let  $F : N \to M$  be a smooth mapping. For i = 1, 2 let  $X_i \in \mathfrak{X}(N)$  and  $Y_i \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  be vector fields such that  $F_*(X_i) = Y_i$ . Then:

$$F_*[X_1, X_2] = [F_*(X_1), F_*(X_2)].$$

#### (xii) Corollary.

- (a) The left-invariant vector fields on a Lie group *G* form a Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  with product  $(X, Y) \mapsto [X, Y]$  and  $\dim(\mathfrak{g}) = \dim(G)$ .
- (b) If  $F: G_1 \to G_2$  is a homomorphism of Lie groups, then  $F_*: \mathfrak{g}_1 \to \mathfrak{g}_2$  is a homomorphism of Lie algebras.
- (xiii) **Remark.** Let *G* be e Lie group, H < G is a Lie subgroup, and  $i : H \rightarrow G$  the inclusion. Then  $i_*(\mathfrak{h})$  is a subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{g}$ , which consists of the elements of  $\mathfrak{g}$  tangent to *H* and to its cosets *gH*.
- (xiv) **Theorem.** Let *M* be a smooth manifold and let  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . Then [X, Y] = 0 if and only if for each  $p \in M$ , there exists  $\delta_p > 0$  such that

$$\theta_s^X \circ \theta_t^Y(p) = \theta_t^X \circ \theta_s^Y(p),$$

for all |t|,  $|s| < \delta_p$ .

### 2.8 Frobenius Theorem

- (i) **Definition.** Let *M* be a smooth manifold and let  $\dim(M) = n + k$ . For each  $p \in M$ , we assign an *n*-dimensional subspace  $\Delta_p \subset T_p(M)$ .
  - (a) Suppose in a neighborhood of each  $p \in M$ , there exists *n* linearly independent  $C^{\infty}$  vector fields  $X_1, \ldots, X_n \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , which forms basis for all  $q \in U$ . Then we say that  $\Delta$  is a  $C^{\infty}$ -plane distribution of dimension *n* on *M* and  $X_1, \ldots, X_n$  is a *local basis* of  $\Delta$ .
  - (b) We say distribution  $\Delta$  is *involutive* if there exists a local basis  $X_1, \ldots, X_n$  in a neighborhood of each point such that:

$$[X_i, X_j] = \sum_{k=1}^n c_{ij}^k X_k$$
, for  $1 \le i, j \le n$ ,

where the  $c_{ij}^k \in C^{\infty}(M)$ .

(ii) **Definition.** Let  $\Delta$  be a  $C^{\infty}$  distribution on a smooth manifold M, and let N be a connected smooth submanifold of M. If for each  $q \in N$ , we have  $T_q(N) \subset \Delta_q$ , then we say that N is an *intergral manifold* of  $\Delta$ .

#### (iii) Example of a plane distributions.

- (a) If  $M = \mathbb{R}^{n+k}$  and  $\Delta = \langle X_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} : 1 \le i \le n \rangle$ . Then the distribution is the subspace of dimension *n* consisting of all vectors parallel to  $\mathbb{R}^n$  at each  $q \in M$ .
- (b) Let *G* be e Lie group, *H* < *G* is a Lie subgroup, and *i* : *H* → *G* the inclusion. Then the subalgebra *i*<sub>\*</sub>(ħ) of 𝔅 defines a left-invariant distribution Δ on *G* such that Δ<sub>h</sub> = Δ<sub>h</sub>(*H*) for all *h* ∈ *H*.
- (iv) **Definition.** Let  $\Delta$  be a  $C^{\infty}$  distribution on a smooth manifold M and let  $\dim(M) = n + k$ . We say that  $\Delta$  is *completely integrable* if each  $p \in M$  has a cubical neighborhood  $(U, \varphi)$  such that  $E_i = \varphi_*^{-1} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}\right)$  for  $1 \le i \le n$ , are a local basis on U for  $\Delta$ .
- (v) **Remark.** Let  $\Delta$  be a  $C^{\infty}$  completely integrable distribution on a smooth manifold M as in Definition 2.4 (iv). Then there exists an integral manifold N through each  $q \in U$  such that  $T_q(N) = \Delta_q$ , that is, dim(N) = n. In fact,  $q = (a_1, ..., a_n)$ , then an integral manifold through q is an n-slice given by

$$N = \varphi^{-1} \{ x \in \varphi(U) : x_j = a_j, n+1 \le j \le m \}.$$

Furthermore, this distribution is involutive since:

$$[E_i, E_j] = \varphi_*^{-1} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \right] = 0, 1 \le i \text{ and } j \le n.$$

A coordinate neighborhood  $(U, \varphi)$  as above is called a *flat* with respect to  $\Delta$ .

- (vi) **Theorem (Frobenius).** A distribution  $\Delta$  on a smooth manifold *M* is completely integrable if and only if its involutive.
- (vii) **Corollary.** Let  $(U, \varphi)$  be a flat coordinate neighborhood relative to an involutive *n*-plane distribution  $\Delta$  on *M*. Then any connected integrable manifold  $C \subset U$  must lie on a single *n*-slice

$$S_a = \{q \in U : x_i(q) = a_i, n+1 \le i \le m\}.$$

- (viii) **Theorem.** Let *M* be smooth manifold of dimension n + k and let  $N \subset M$  be an integral manifold of an involutive distribution  $\Delta$  with dim $(N) = \dim(\Delta)$ . If  $F(A) \subset N$  is a  $C^{\infty}$  mapping of a manifold *A* into *M* such that  $F(A) \subset N$ , then *F* is a  $C^{\infty}$  mapping into *N*.
- (ix) **Definition.** A *maximal integral manifold* N of an involutive distribution  $\Delta$  on a smooth manifold M is a connected integral manifold which contains every connected integral manifold that it intersects.
- (x) Remark.
  - (a) If *N* is the maximal integral manifold of an involutive distribution  $\Delta$  on a smooth manifold *M*, then dim(*N*) = dim( $\Delta$ ).
  - (b) At most one maximal integral manifold that can pass through a point  $p \in M$ .
- (xi) **Theorem.** Let *G* be a Lie group,  $\mathfrak{g}$  its Lie algebra, and let  $\mathfrak{h}$  be a subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Then there exists a unique subgroup *H* < *G* whose Lie algebra is  $\mathfrak{h}$ .

#### 2.9 Homogeneous spaces

(i) **Definition.** A smooth manifold *M* is said to be homogeneous space of the Lie group *G* if there exists a  $C^{\infty}$  action of *G* on *M*.

- (ii) Examples of homogeneous spaces.
  - (a) Since the Lie group O(n) has a transitive action on  $S^{n-1}$ ,  $S^{n-1}$  is a homogeneous space of O(n).
  - (b) Since the Lie group GL(n, ℝ) has a transitive action on ℝ<sup>n</sup> \ {0}, ℝ<sup>n</sup> \ {0} is a homogeneous space of GL(n, ℝ).
- (iii) **Theorem.** Let *G* be a Lie group and *H* a closed Lie subgroup. Then there exists a unique  $C^{\infty}$  structure on *G*/*H* with the following properties.
  - (a) The canonical projection  $\pi: G \to G/H$  is  $C^{\infty}$ .
  - (b) Each  $g \in G$  is in the image of a  $C^{\infty}$  section  $(V, \sigma)$  on G/H.
  - (c) The natural action  $\lambda : G \times G/H \to G/H$  is a  $C^{\infty}$  action and dim $(G/H) = \dim(G) \dim(H)$ .
- (iv) **Lemma.** If *H* is a connected Lie subgroup of a Lie group *G*, which is closed as a subset of *G*. then:
  - (a) Each coset gH is closed.
  - (b) There is a cubical neighborhood (*U*, φ) of any *g* ∈ *G* such that for each coset *xH* ∈ *G*/*H* either *xH* ∩ *U* = Ø or a *xH* ∩ *U* is a single connected slice.
- (v) **Theorem.** Let *G* be a Lie group with a transitive action  $\theta$  :  $G \times M \rightarrow M$  on a smooth manifold *M*.
  - (a) The mapping  $\tilde{F} : G \to M$  defined by  $\tilde{F}(g) = \theta(g, a)$  is  $C^{\infty}$  and rank equal to dim(*M*) everywhere on *G*.
  - (b) For  $a \in M$ , the stabilizer subgroup  $H = \text{Stab}_{\theta}(a) = \{g \in G : \theta_g(g) = a\}$  is a closed subgroup of *G*. Hence, *G*/*H* is a  $C^{\infty}$  manifold.
  - (c) The mapping  $F: G/H \to M$  defined by  $F(gH) = \tilde{F}(g)$  is a diffeomorphism. Moreover, if  $\lambda: G \times G/H \to G/H$  is the natural action of *G* on G/H, then  $F \circ \lambda_g = \theta_g \circ F$ , for all  $g \in G$ .
- (vi) Example of Lie groups realized as closed stablilizer subgroups.

(a) We know that that  $\text{Isom}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cong O(n) \times \mathbb{R}^n$ . Consider the Lie subgroup of *G* of  $GL(n+1,\mathbb{R})$  defined by

$$G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} A & V^T \\ 0 \dots 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} : A \in \mathcal{O}(n) \text{ and } V \in \mathbb{R}^n \right\}$$

and the set

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} X^T \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \colon X \in \mathbb{R}^n \}.$$

Then *G* acts transitively on *X* and  $\text{Stab}_{\theta}(0) = O_n$ . Hence, O(n) is a closed subgroup of *G*.

(b) Consider the transitive action of the Lie group  $G = SL(n, \mathbb{R})$  on  $\mathbb{R}P^n$  via the action  $(g, [x]) \xrightarrow{\theta} [gx]$ . Then:

 $\operatorname{Stab}_{\theta}([(1, 0, \dots, 0)]) = \{A = (a_{ij} \in \operatorname{SL}(n, \mathbb{R}) : a_{11} \neq 0 \text{ and } a_{i1} = 0, \text{ for } i > 1\}.$ 

- (c) Consider the transitive action  $\theta : G \times M \to M$  of the Lie group  $G = GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  on the Grassmanian M = G(k, n), the set of *k*-frames through the origin. For a *k*-plane  $P \in M$ , let  $H = \operatorname{Stab}_{\theta}(P)$ . Then  $G/H \cong G(k, n)$  and hence G(k, n) is a manifold.
- (vii) **Remark.** If a Lie group acts transitively on set *X* in such a way that the stabilizer subgroup of a point  $a \in X$  is a closed Lie subgroup, then there exists a unique  $C^{\infty}$  structure on *X* such that the action is  $C^{\infty}$ .

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