

# Differentiable manifolds:

Generalize regular surfaces in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Recall: A regular surface in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is a subset  $M \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  s.t.  $\forall p \in M$ ,  $\exists$  neighborhood  $V$  of  $p$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and a mapping  $\varphi: U \rightarrow V$  where  $U$  is an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  s.t.

(a)  $\varphi$  is differentiable and  $\varphi$  is a homeomorphism from  $U$  to  $V \cap M$ .

(b) the differential  $(d\varphi)_q: T_q U \rightarrow T_{\varphi(q)} V$  is injective  $\forall q \in U$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T_q U & \xrightarrow{(d\varphi)_q} & T_{\varphi(q)} V \\ \parallel & & \parallel \\ T_q \mathbb{R}^2 & & T_{\varphi(q)} \mathbb{R}^3 \\ \parallel & & \parallel \\ \mathbb{R}^2 & & \mathbb{R}^3 \end{array}$$

Def: The  $U$  as above are called coordinate charts of  $M$ .

Note:  $\forall$  two charts  $U_1, U_2$   $\varphi_1: U_1 \rightarrow M$   
 $\varphi_2: U_2 \rightarrow M$   
s.t.  $\varphi_1(U_1) \cap \varphi_2(U_2) \neq \emptyset$

put  $W := \varphi_1(U_1) \cap \varphi_2(U_2)$

$\varphi_2^{-1} \circ \varphi_1: \varphi_1^{-1}(W) \xrightarrow{\varphi_1} W \xrightarrow{\varphi_2^{-1}} U_2 \subset \mathbb{R}^2$

$\cap$   
 $U_1 \subset \mathbb{R}^2$

$\varphi_2^{-1} \circ \varphi_1$  is differentiable.

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$\varphi_1: U_1 \rightarrow M \cap U_1$

$(d\varphi_1)_q: T_q U_1 \xrightarrow{\cong} T_{\varphi_1(q)}(M \cap U_1)$

# Abstract manifolds:

Definition: A differentiable manifold of dim.  $n$  is a set  $M$  together with the data of a collection of open subsets  $\{U_\alpha\}$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and injective maps  $\varphi_\alpha: U_\alpha \rightarrow M$  s.t.

$$(1) \quad \bigcup \varphi_\alpha(U_\alpha) = M$$

$$(2) \quad \forall \alpha, \beta \text{ s.t. } \underbrace{\varphi_\alpha(U_\alpha) \cap \varphi_\beta(U_\beta)}_{W_{\alpha\beta}} \neq \emptyset$$

$$\varphi_\beta^{-1} \circ \varphi_\alpha : \varphi_\alpha^{-1}(W_{\alpha\beta}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \cup \varphi_\beta^{-1}(W_{\alpha\beta}) \subset U_\beta$$

is differentiable.

Remark: The differentiable structure induces a topology on  $M$ :

A subset  $W$  of  $M$  is open  $\Leftrightarrow$

$\forall \alpha$ ,  $\varphi_\alpha^{-1}(W \cap \varphi_\alpha(U_\alpha))$  is open.

In this topology,  $\varphi_\alpha(U_\alpha)$  is open  $\forall \alpha$  and  $\varphi_\alpha$  is a homeomorphism to its image  $\forall \alpha$  and  $\varphi_\alpha: U_\alpha \rightarrow M$  is continuous.

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Example: Real projective space:  $\mathbb{P}^n(\mathbb{R})$

$$\mathbb{P}^0(\mathbb{R}) = \{\text{pt}\} \quad \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}.$$

$$\mathbb{P}^2(\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{R}^2 \cup \text{circle} / \{\pm 1\} = \mathbb{R}^2 \cup \text{all directions}$$
$$= \mathbb{R}^2 \cup \text{points on the horizon}$$

different roads converge to different points  
on the horizon: parallel lines meet at infinity.

