

# Differential Topology - Foundations.

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We start with some fundamental definitions:

Definition. A map  $f: U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is smooth if it is  $C^\infty$  (has continuous partials of all orders).  
↑ open subset

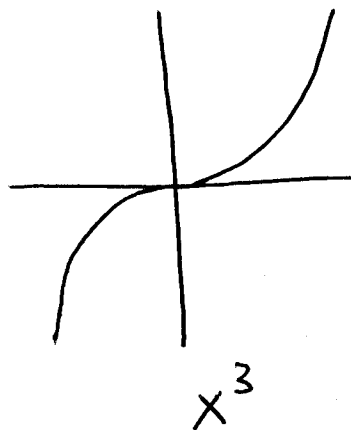
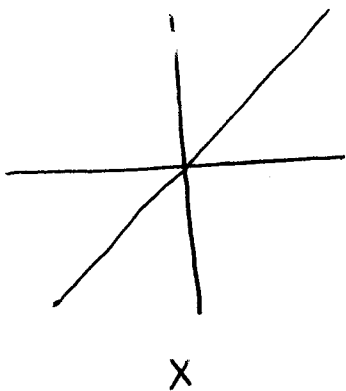
(We rarely use more than 1 derivative.)

A map  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is smooth if  $\exists$  a smooth map  $F$  on an open set  $U \supset X$  so that  $F: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $F=f$  on  $X$ .  
↑ any subset

The most important smooth maps will be diffeomorphisms:

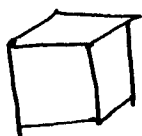
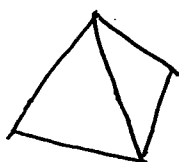
Definition. If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  and  $f^{-1}: Y \rightarrow X$  are smooth bijections, then  $f$  is a diffeomorphism.

Warning! A smooth homeomorphism is not always a diffeomorphism. (2)



Smoothness is an example of a concept depending only on the behavior of something in an open neighborhood of a point. We call these things local.

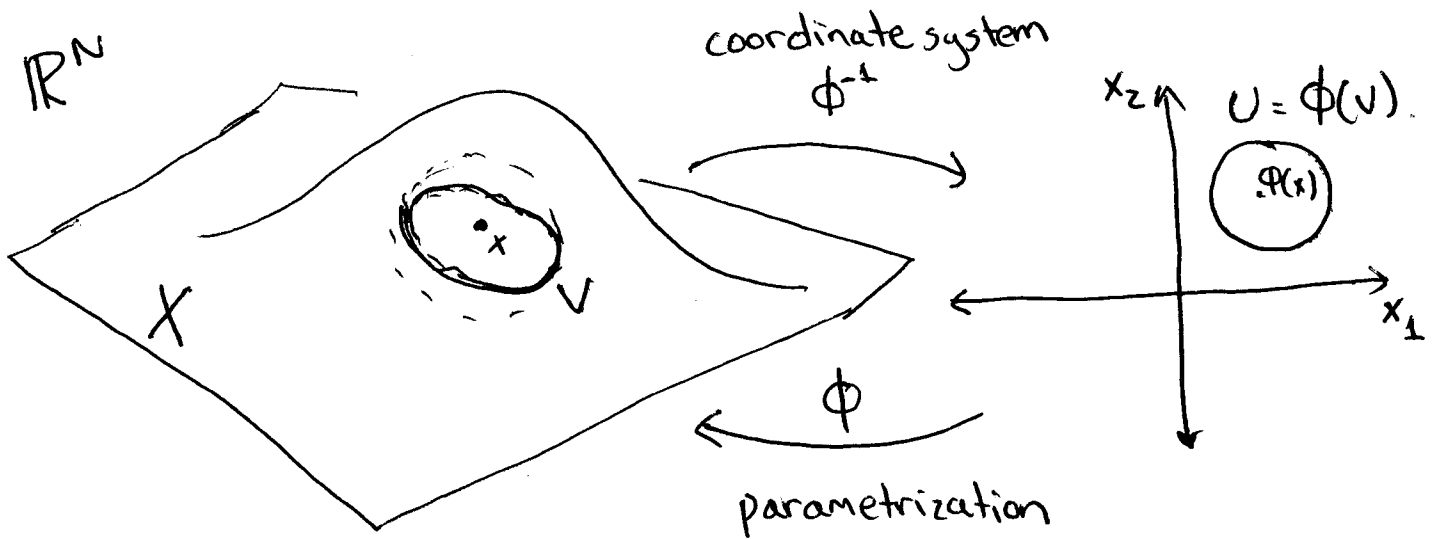
(As opposed to global.)



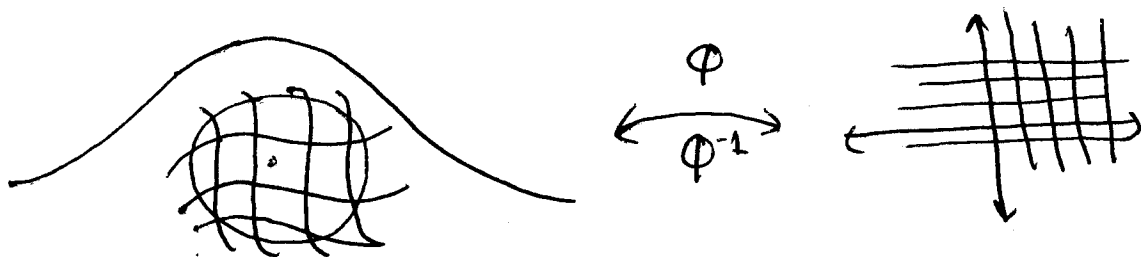
Which are diffeomorphic?

We now define manifolds, as subspaces of some Euclidean  $\mathbb{R}^N$ . (We could also prove all the results of this course for abstract manifolds.)

Definition. Let  $X \subset \mathbb{R}^N$  be any subset. If  $X$  is locally diffeomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^k$  then  $X$  is a smooth  $k$ -dimensional manifold.

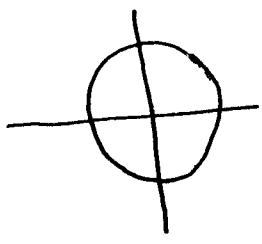


We often think of the maps  $\phi, \phi^{-1}$  as



a way to refer to points in  $X$  by local coordinates  $(x_1, \dots, x_k)$ .

(But we're actually a little sloppy - do you see how?)

Example.  The unit circle in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is a smooth manifold.

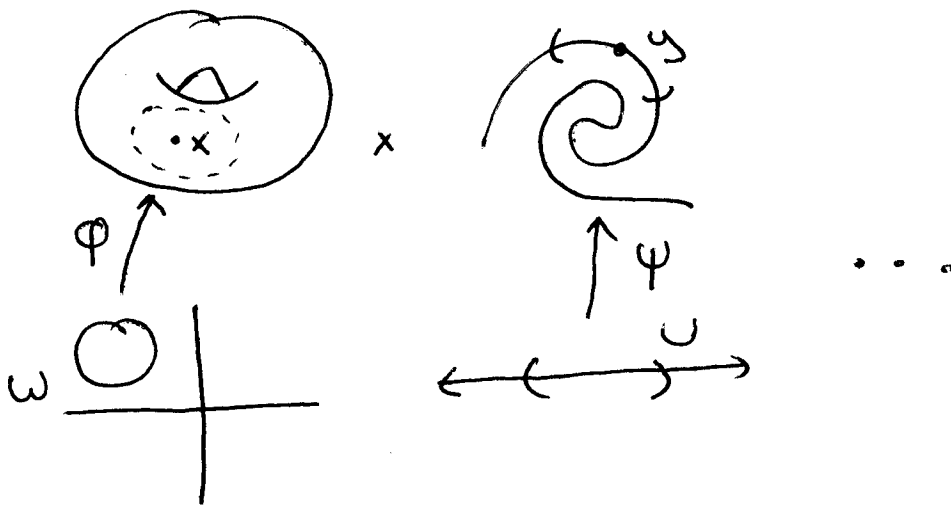
(Use  $\arctan(y, x)$  and coordinates in two neighborhoods.)

~~Definition. The product of two topological spaces  $X, Y$  is the set of ordered pairs  $(x, y)$  with topology generated by ...~~

Recall that if  $X \subset \mathbb{R}^N$  and  $Y \subset \mathbb{R}^M$  we can form  $X \times Y \subset \mathbb{R}^N \times \mathbb{R}^M = \mathbb{R}^{N+M}$ .

Proposition. If  $X, Y$  are smooth manifolds then  $X \times Y$  is a smooth manifold and  $\dim X \times Y = \dim X + \dim Y$ .

Proof. Suppose  $\dim X = k, \dim Y = l$ .



Last, we have

Definition. If  $Z \subset X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $Z, X$  are manifolds, then  $Z$  is a submanifold of  $X$ .

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