

THE NEWTON DIAGRAM OF AN ANALYTIC MORPHISM, AND APPLICATIONS TO DIFFERENTIABLE FUNCTIONS

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Consider a system of equations of the form

$$(1) \quad f(x) = A(x) \cdot g(\phi(x)),$$

where $x = (x_1, \dots, x_m)$, $\phi(x) = (\phi_1(x), \dots, \phi_n(x))$ is an analytic mapping, and $A(x)$ is a $p \times q$ matrix of analytic functions. Given $f(x) = (f_1(x), \dots, f_p(x))C^\infty$, we seek C^∞ solutions $g(y) = (g_1(y), \dots, g_q(y))$. There is a necessary condition on the Taylor series of f at each point. Special cases are classical: when $\phi(x) \equiv x$ we have the division theorem of Malgrange [7, Chapter VI], and when $A(x) \equiv I$, the composition problem first studied by Glaeser [5].

We solve the problem in the case that $\phi(x)$ and $A(x)$ are algebraic (or Nash), using a Hilbert-Samuel stratification associated to (1). Our methods, however, go far beyond this case. We present algebraic criteria for solving (1), based on a fundamental relationship between two invariants of an analytic morphism and an associated "Newton diagram". Hironaka's simple but powerful formal division algorithm [3] is exploited systematically. The only results from "differential analysis" used are Whitney's extension theorem [7, Chapter I] and Łojasiewicz's inequality [7, Chapter IV].

Let $\underline{k} = \mathbf{R}$ or \mathbf{C} . (Some of our assertions hold for other fields.) Let M, N be analytic manifolds (over \underline{k}), and $\phi: M \rightarrow N$ an analytic mapping. Let A be a $p \times q$ matrix of analytic functions on M .

For each $a \in M$, let \mathcal{O}_a (respectively, $\hat{\mathcal{O}}_a$) denote the ring of germs of analytic functions at a (respectively, the completion of \mathcal{O}_a in the Krull topology). Let \mathfrak{m}_a be the maximal ideal of $\hat{\mathcal{O}}_a$. In the case $\underline{k} = \mathbf{R}$, let $C^\infty(M)$ denote the algebra of C^∞ functions on M . There is a Taylor series homomorphism $f \mapsto \hat{f}_a$ from $C^\infty(M)^p$ onto $\hat{\mathcal{O}}_a^p$.

The mapping ϕ induces ring homomorphisms $\phi^*: C^\infty(N) \rightarrow C^\infty(M)$, $\phi_a^*: \mathcal{O}_{\phi(a)} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_a$, and $\hat{\phi}_a^*: \hat{\mathcal{O}}_{\phi(a)} \rightarrow \hat{\mathcal{O}}_a$. Let $\Phi: C^\infty(N)^q \rightarrow C^\infty(M)^p$ denote the module homomorphism over ϕ^* defined by $\Phi(g) = A \cdot (g \circ \phi)$. Let $\hat{\Phi}_a: \hat{\mathcal{O}}_{\phi(a)}^q \rightarrow \hat{\mathcal{O}}_a^p$ denote the analogous module homomorphism over $\hat{\phi}_a^*$.

Let $(\Phi C^\infty(N)^q)^\sim$ denote the $C^\infty(N)$ -submodule of $C^\infty(M)^p$ consisting of elements which formally belong to the image $\Phi C^\infty(N)^q$ of Φ ; i.e., $(\Phi C^\infty(N)^q)^\sim = \{f \in C^\infty(M)^p: \text{for all } b \in \phi(M), \text{ there exists } G_b \in \hat{\mathcal{O}}_b \text{ such that } \hat{f}_a = \hat{\Phi}_a(G_b) \text{ for all } a \in \phi^{-1}(b)\}$. Evidently, $(\Phi C^\infty(N)^q)^\sim$ is closed in the C^∞ topology.

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