



## Differential Geometry II - Smooth Manifolds

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### Exercise Sheet 5 – Solutions

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#### Exercise 1:

- (a) Let  $(x, y)$  denote the standard coordinates on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Verify that  $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})$  are smooth global coordinates on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , where

$$\tilde{x} = x \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{y} = y + x^3.$$

Let  $p$  be the point  $(1, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  (in standard coordinates), and show that

$$\left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right|_p \neq \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{x}} \right|_p,$$

even though the coordinate functions  $x$  and  $\tilde{x}$  are identically equal.

(This shows that each coordinate vector  $\partial/\partial x^i|_p$  depends on the entire coordinate system, not just on the single coordinate function  $x^i$ .)

- (b) *Polar coordinates on  $\mathbb{R}^2$* : Consider the map

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi: W := (0, +\infty) \times (-\pi, \pi) &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 \\ (r, \theta) &\mapsto (r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta). \end{aligned}$$

- (i) Show that  $\Phi$  is a diffeomorphism onto its image  $U := \Phi(W)$ .  
(Therefore,  $\Phi^{-1}$  can be considered as a smooth chart on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , and it is common to call its component functions the *polar coordinates*  $(r, \theta)$  on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .)
- (ii) Let  $p$  be a point in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  whose polar coordinate representation is  $(r, \theta) = (2, \pi/2)$ , and let  $v \in T_p\mathbb{R}^2$  be the tangent vector whose polar coordinate representation is

$$v = 3 \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right|_p - \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right|_p.$$

Compute the coordinate representation of  $v$  in terms of the standard coordinate vectors

$$\left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right|_p, \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right|_p.$$

(c) *Spherical coordinates on  $\mathbb{R}^3$* : Consider the map

$$\begin{aligned}\Psi: W := (0, +\infty) \times (-\pi, \pi) \times (0, \pi) &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 \\ (r, \varphi, \theta) &\mapsto (r \cos \varphi \sin \theta, r \sin \varphi \sin \theta, r \cos \theta).\end{aligned}$$

(i) Show that  $\Psi$  is a diffeomorphism onto its image  $U := \Psi(W)$ .

(Therefore,  $\Psi^{-1}$  can be considered as a smooth chart on  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , and it is common to call its component functions the *spherical coordinates*  $(r, \varphi, \theta)$  on  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .)

(ii) Express the coordinate vectors

$$\left. \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right|_p, \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi} \right|_p, \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right|_p$$

of this chart at some point  $p \in U$  in terms of the standard coordinate vectors

$$\left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right|_p, \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right|_p, \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right|_p.$$

**Solution:**

(a) Consider the function

$$\psi: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2, (x, y) \mapsto (x, y + x^3).$$

Observe that  $\psi$  is smooth and bijective with inverse function

$$\psi^{-1}: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2, (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}) \mapsto (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y} - \tilde{x}^3),$$

which is also smooth. Hence,  $\psi$  is a global smooth coordinate chart on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ; in other words, its components  $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})$  are smooth global coordinates on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

We have

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{x}}{\partial x}(x, y) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial \tilde{y}}{\partial x}(x, y) = 3x^2,$$

and hence

$$\left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right|_p = 1 \cdot \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{x}} \right|_p + 3 \cdot \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{y}} \right|_p \neq \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{x}} \right|_p.$$

(b) We deal with (i) and (ii) separately.

(i) Geometrically,  $r \in (0, +\infty)$  is the distance from the origin, and  $\theta \in (-\pi, \pi)$  is the angle from the positive  $x$ -axis. Observe now that the image of  $\Phi$  is the plane without the non-positive  $x$ -axis, that is,

$$U = \Phi(W) = \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x \leq 0, y = 0\}.$$

Indeed, if  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\}$  is arbitrary, then for  $r := \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ , the point  $\frac{1}{r}(x, y)$  is on the unit circle  $\mathbb{S}^1 \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ . Hence, there exists a unique  $\theta \in (-\pi, \pi]$  such that  $\frac{1}{r}(x, y) = (\cos(\theta), \sin(\theta))$ , so that  $(x, y) = (r \cos(\theta), r \sin(\theta))$ . That is, there is a bijection between  $(0, \infty) \times (-\pi, \pi]$  and  $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\}$ , given by the same formula as  $\Phi$ .

If we remove  $(0, \infty) \times \{\pi\}$  from the domain (to obtain  $(0, \infty) \times (-\pi, \pi)$ ), then we have to remove the set

$$\{(r \cos(\pi), r \sin(\pi)) \mid r \in (0, \infty)\} = \{(x, 0) \mid x < 0\}$$

from the target. Thus, the image of  $\Phi$  is the set  $U$  described above, as claimed. Now, since  $\Phi: W \rightarrow U$  is bijective and smooth with Jacobian determinant

$$\det(D\Phi(r, \theta)) = \det \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -r \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & r \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} = r(\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta) = r \neq 0,$$

by the *inverse function theorem* and *Proposition 4.9(f)* we conclude that it is a diffeomorphism.

(ii) We have

$$\left. \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right|_p = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right|_p + \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right|_p = \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right|_p$$

and

$$\left. \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right|_p = -2 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right|_p + 2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right|_p = -2 \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right|_p,$$

so  $v$  has the following coordinate representation in standard coordinates:

$$v = 2 \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right|_p + 3 \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right|_p.$$

(c) We deal with (i) and (ii) separately.

(i) Geometrically,  $r \in (0, +\infty)$  is the distance from the origin,  $\varphi \in (-\pi, \pi)$  is the angle from the  $x < 0$  half of the  $(x, z)$ -plane, and  $\theta \in (0, \pi)$  is the angle from the positive  $z$ -axis. Observe now that the image of  $\Psi$  is the 3-dimensional space without the  $z$ -axis and the non-positive  $x$ -axis, that is,

$$U = \Psi(W) = \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \left( \{(0, 0, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid z \in \mathbb{R}\} \cup \{(x, 0, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x \leq 0\} \right),$$

and also that  $\Psi: W \rightarrow U$  is bijective. Furthermore,  $\Psi$  is clearly smooth with Jacobian matrix

$$J_\Psi = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi \sin \theta & -r \sin \varphi \sin \theta & r \cos \varphi \cos \theta \\ \sin \varphi \sin \theta & r \cos \varphi \sin \theta & r \sin \varphi \cos \theta \\ \cos \theta & 0 & -r \sin \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

and Jacobian determinant

$$\det J_\Psi = -r^2 \sin \theta,$$

which does not vanish for any  $(r, \theta) \in (0, +\infty) \times (0, \pi)$ . Hence,  $\Psi$  is a local diffeomorphism by the *inverse function theorem*. Since it is also bijective, it is actually a diffeomorphism, see *Proposition 4.9(f)*.

(ii) Since

$$r = (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{1/2}$$

and

$$r \sin \theta = (x^2 + y^2)^{1/2},$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \Big|_p &= \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Big|_p + \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \Big|_p + \frac{\partial z}{\partial r} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \Big|_p \\ &= \cos \varphi \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Big|_p + \sin \varphi \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \Big|_p + \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \Big|_p \\ &= \frac{1}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{1/2}} \left( x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Big|_p + y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \Big|_p + z \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \Big|_p \right), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi} \Big|_p &= \frac{\partial x}{\partial \varphi} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Big|_p + \frac{\partial y}{\partial \varphi} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \Big|_p + \frac{\partial z}{\partial \varphi} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \Big|_p \\ &= -r \sin \varphi \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Big|_p + r \cos \varphi \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \Big|_p \\ &= -y \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Big|_p + x \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \Big|_p, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \Big|_p &= \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Big|_p + \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \Big|_p + \frac{\partial z}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \Big|_p \\ &= r \cos \varphi \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Big|_p + r \sin \varphi \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \Big|_p - r \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \Big|_p \\ &= \frac{xz}{(x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Big|_p + \frac{yz}{(x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \Big|_p - (x^2 + y^2)^{1/2} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \Big|_p. \end{aligned}$$

**Exercise 2:** Consider the inclusion  $\iota: \mathbb{S}^2 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ , where both  $\mathbb{S}^2$  and  $\mathbb{R}^3$  are endowed with the standard smooth structure. Let  $p = (p^1, p^2, p^3) \in \mathbb{S}^2$  with  $p^3 > 0$ . What is the image of the differential  $d\iota_p: T_p\mathbb{S}^2 \rightarrow T_p\mathbb{R}^3$ ?

**Solution:** Observe that the given point  $p \in \mathbb{S}^2$  is contained in the domain of the smooth chart  $(U_3^+, \varphi_3^+)$  for  $\mathbb{S}^2$ , where

$$U_3^+ = \{(x^1, x^2, x^3) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x^3 > 0\}$$

and

$$\varphi_3^+: U_3^+ \cap \mathbb{S}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{B}^2, (x^1, x^2, x^3) \mapsto (x^1, x^2)$$

with coordinate functions  $\varphi^1$  and  $\varphi^2$  (defined in the obvious manner). Recall also that the inverse of  $\varphi_3^+$  is the map

$$(\varphi_3^+)^{-1}: \mathbb{B}^2 \rightarrow U_3^+ \cap \mathbb{S}^2, (u^1, u^2) \mapsto (u^1, u^2, \sqrt{1 - (u^1)^2 - (u^2)^2}),$$

see *Example 1.3(2)* and *Example 1.10(2)*. Therefore, the coordinate representation  $\widehat{\iota}$  of  $\iota: \mathbb{S}^2 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  with respect to the charts  $(U_3^+, \varphi_3^+)$  and  $(\mathbb{R}^3, \text{Id}_{\mathbb{R}^3})$  is the function

$$\widehat{\iota}(u^1, u^2) = (\text{Id}_{\mathbb{R}^3} \circ \iota \circ (\varphi_3^+)^{-1})(u^1, u^2) = \left(u^1, u^2, \sqrt{1 - (u^1)^2 - (u^2)^2}\right),$$

and the coordinate representation  $\widehat{p}$  of  $p \in \mathbb{S}^2$  is  $\widehat{p} = \varphi(p) = (p^1, p^2)$ . Since the Jacobian matrix of  $\widehat{\iota}$ , given by

$$J(u^1, u^2) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{u^1}{\sqrt{1-(u^1)^2-(u^2)^2}} & -\frac{u^2}{\sqrt{1-(u^1)^2-(u^2)^2}} \end{pmatrix},$$

represents  $d\iota_p: T_p\mathbb{S}^2 \rightarrow T_p\mathbb{R}^3$  in the coordinate bases

$$\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi^1} \Big|_p, \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi^2} \Big|_p \right\} \subseteq T_p\mathbb{S}^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} \Big|_p, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} \Big|_p, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^3} \Big|_p \right\} \subseteq T_p\mathbb{R}^3,$$

we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} d\iota_p \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi^1} \Big|_p \right) &= 1 \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} \Big|_p + 0 \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} \Big|_p - \frac{p^1}{\sqrt{1 - (p^1)^2 + (p^2)^2}} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x^3} \Big|_p \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} \Big|_p - \frac{p^1}{p^3} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^3} \Big|_p \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} d\iota_p \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi^2} \Big|_p \right) &= 0 \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} \Big|_p + 1 \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} \Big|_p - \frac{p^2}{\sqrt{1 - (p^1)^2 + (p^2)^2}} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x^3} \Big|_p \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} \Big|_p - \frac{p^2}{p^3} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^3} \Big|_p. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the image of  $d\iota_p$  is the  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector space spanned by the above two vectors, which can be identified with the vectors  $(1, 0, -\frac{p^1}{p^3})$  and  $(0, 1, -\frac{p^2}{p^3})$ , respectively, in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . It is now easy to check that this 2-dimensional  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector space is the orthogonal complement of  $\langle p \rangle$ ; namely,

$$d\iota_p(T_p\mathbb{S}^2) = \langle p \rangle^\perp \cong \{v \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid \langle v, p \rangle = 0\}.$$

**Exercise 3** (*The global differential*):

(a) Let  $F: M \rightarrow N$  be a smooth map. Show that its *global differential*  $dF: TM \rightarrow TN$  (which is just the map whose restriction to each tangent space  $T_pM \subseteq TM$  is  $dF_p$ ) is also a smooth map.

(b) Let  $F: M \rightarrow N$  and  $G: N \rightarrow P$  be smooth maps. Prove the following assertions:

(i)  $d(G \circ F) = dG \circ dF: TM \rightarrow TP$ .

(ii)  $d(\text{Id}_M) = \text{Id}_{TM}: TM \rightarrow TM$ .

(iii) If  $F$  is a diffeomorphism, then  $dF: TM \rightarrow TN$  is also a diffeomorphism, and it holds that  $(dF)^{-1} = d(F^{-1})$ .

**Solution:**

(a) Using the local expression for  $dF_p$  in coordinates,

$$dF_p \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \Big|_p \right) = \frac{\partial \widehat{F}^j}{\partial x^i} (\widehat{p}) \frac{\partial}{\partial y^j} \Big|_{F(p)},$$

we see that  $dF$  has the following coordinate representation in terms of natural coordinates for  $TM$  and  $TN$ :

$$\begin{aligned} (\widetilde{\psi} \circ dF \circ \widetilde{\varphi}^{-1})(x^1, \dots, x^n, v^1, \dots, v^n) &= (\widetilde{\psi} \circ dF) \left( v^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \Big|_{\varphi^{-1}(x)} \right) \\ &= \widetilde{\psi} \left( v^i \frac{\partial \widehat{F}^j}{\partial x^i} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^j} \Big|_{F \circ \varphi^{-1}(x)} \right) \\ &= \left( \widehat{F}^1(x), \dots, \widehat{F}^n(x), \frac{\partial \widehat{F}^1}{\partial x^i}(x)v^i, \dots, \frac{\partial \widehat{F}^n}{\partial x^i}(x)v^i \right). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $F$  is smooth, and thus its coordinate representation  $\widehat{F} = \psi \circ F \circ \varphi^{-1}$  is smooth, the above coordinate representation of  $dF$  is smooth, and hence  $dF$  is smooth, as claimed.

(b) All assertions follow immediately from [Exercise Sheet 4, Exercise 1].

**Exercise 4:** Let  $M_1, \dots, M_k$  be smooth manifolds. Show that  $T(M_1 \times \dots \times M_k)$  is diffeomorphic to  $T(M_1) \times \dots \times T(M_k)$ .

**Solution:** For each  $1 \leq i \leq k$ , denote by

$$\pi_i: M_1 \times \dots \times M_k \rightarrow M_i$$

the projection onto the  $i$ -th factor. It is smooth by [Exercise Sheet 3, Exercise 4], so its global differential

$$d(\pi_i): T(M_1 \times \dots \times M_k) \rightarrow TM_i$$

is also a smooth map by Exercise 3(a). Again by [Exercise Sheet 3, Exercise 4] we thus obtain a smooth map

$$\alpha: T(M_1 \times \dots \times M_k) \rightarrow TM_1 \times \dots \times TM_k$$

given by  $\alpha = (d(\pi_1), \dots, d(\pi_k))$ . Note that if  $p = (p_1, \dots, p_k) \in M_1 \times \dots \times M_k$ , then  $\alpha$  restricted to the fiber  $T_p(M_1 \times \dots \times M_k)$  is just the map defined in [Exercise Sheet 4, Exercise 3], so it is in particular an isomorphism. Therefore,  $\alpha$  is bijective. It remains to show that  $\alpha$  is a diffeomorphism.

To this end, for every  $1 \leq i \leq k$ , let  $(U_i, (x_i^j)_{j_i})$  be a smooth chart for  $M_i$ , and denote by  $\text{pr}_i: TM_i \rightarrow M_i$  the projection. By construction of the tangent bundle,

$(\text{pr}_i^{-1} U_i, (x_i^{j_i})_{j_i}, (v_i^{j_i})_{j_i})$  is a smooth coordinate chart, where  $(v_i^{j_i})_{j_i}$  are the coordinates of a point  $(p, v) \in TM_i$  (with  $p \in U_i$ ) in terms of the basis  $\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i^{j_i}} \Big|_p \right)_{j_i}$  of  $T_p M_i$ . This yields the chart

$$(\text{pr}_1^{-1} U_1 \times \dots \times \text{pr}_k^{-1} U_k, ((x_1^{j_1})_{j_1}, (v_1^{j_1})_{j_1}), \dots, ((x_k^{j_k})_{j_k}, (v_k^{j_k})_{j_k}))$$

for  $T(M_1) \times \dots \times T(M_k)$ . On the other hand, if we denote by

$$\text{pr}: T(M_1 \times \dots \times M_k) \rightarrow M_1 \times \dots \times M_k$$

the projection, then this also yields the chart

$$(\text{pr}^{-1}(U_1 \times \dots \times U_k), (x_i^{j_i})_{i j_i}, (v_i^{j_i})_{i j_i})$$

for  $T(M_1 \times \dots \times M_k)$ . In terms of these charts, the map  $\alpha$  is just given by

$$((x_i^{j_i})_{i j_i}, (v_i^{j_i})_{i j_i}) \mapsto ((x_1^{j_1})_{j_1}, (v_1^{j_1})_{j_1}, \dots, (x_k^{j_k})_{j_k}, (v_k^{j_k})_{j_k}),$$

which is clearly a diffeomorphism. Hence,  $\alpha$  is a local diffeomorphism, and since it is bijective, it is actually a diffeomorphism, see *Proposition 4.9(f)*.

### Exercise 5:

- (a) Let  $f: X \rightarrow S$  be a map from a topological space  $X$  to a set  $S$ . Show that if  $X$  is connected and if  $f$  is *locally constant*, i.e., for every  $x \in X$  there exists a neighborhood  $U$  of  $x$  in  $X$  such that  $f|_U: U \rightarrow S$  is constant, then  $f$  is constant.

[Hint: Show that  $f$  is continuous when  $S$  is endowed with the discrete topology.]

- (b) Let  $M$  and  $N$  be smooth manifolds and let  $F: M \rightarrow N$  be a smooth map. Assume that  $M$  is connected. Show that  $dF_p: T_p M \rightarrow T_{F(p)} N$  is the zero map for each  $p \in M$  if and only if  $F$  is constant.

[Hint: Use (a). You may also use (without proof) the fact that any topological manifold is locally (path) connected.]

### Solution:

(a) We endow  $S$  with the discrete topology, and we claim that  $f: X \rightarrow S$  is continuous. Since then the singletons in  $S$  are open, to prove the claim, it suffices to show that the fibers of  $f$  are open subsets of  $X$ . Fix  $s \in S$  and pick  $x \in f^{-1}(s)$ . Since  $f$  is locally constant, there exists an open neighborhood  $U$  of  $x$  in  $X$  such that  $f|_U: U \rightarrow S$  is constant, so for every  $u \in U$  we have  $f(u) = f(x) = s$ , and hence  $u \in f^{-1}(s)$ . Therefore, the open neighborhood  $U$  of  $x$  is contained in the fiber  $f^{-1}(s)$ , i.e.,  $x \in U \subseteq f^{-1}(s)$ . Since  $x \in f^{-1}(s)$  was arbitrary,  $f^{-1}(s)$  is an open subset of  $X$ , and since  $s \in S$  was arbitrary, we conclude that  $f$  is continuous.

Since  $S$  is endowed with the discrete topology, every singleton in  $S$  is also closed, and thus every fiber of  $f$  is also closed, since  $f$  is continuous. In other words, the fibers of  $f$  are both closed and open subsets of  $X$ , which is a connected space by assumption, and hence each one of them is either empty or the whole space  $X$ . It follows that  $f$  is constant.

(b) Assume first that  $F$  is constant and let  $p \in M$ . For every  $f \in C^\infty(N)$ , the composite map  $f \circ F: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is constant, and hence for every  $v \in T_p M$  we have  $dF_p(v)(f) = v(f \circ F) = 0$  by *Lemma 3.5(a)*. In conclusion,  $dF_p$  is the zero linear transformation for every  $p \in M$ .

Assume now that  $dF_p$  is the zero map for each  $p \in M$ . By assumption and by (a), to prove that  $F$  is constant, it suffices to show that  $F$  is locally constant. Fix  $p \in M$ . Since  $F$  is smooth, there are smooth charts  $(U, \varphi)$  for  $M$  containing  $p$  and  $(V, \psi)$  for  $N$  containing  $F(p)$  such that  $F(U) \subseteq V$  and the composite map  $\widehat{F} = \psi \circ F \circ \varphi^{-1}$  is smooth. By shrinking  $U$  if necessary, we may assume that  $U$  is connected, and thus  $\varphi(U)$  is also connected. Now, for each  $q \in U$  we know that the differential  $dF_q$  is represented in coordinate bases by the Jacobian matrix of  $\widehat{F}$ . Since  $dF_q = \mathbb{O}$  for every  $q \in U$  by assumption, we infer that

$$\frac{\partial \widehat{F}^j}{\partial x^i}(\widehat{q}) = 0 \quad \text{for every } i, \text{ every } j, \text{ and every } \widehat{q} = \varphi(q) \in \varphi(U).$$

Therefore,  $\widehat{F}$  is constant on  $\varphi(U)$ . It follows that  $F = \varphi \circ \widehat{F} \circ \psi^{-1}$  is constant on  $U$ . Since  $p \in M$  was arbitrary, we conclude that  $F$  is locally constant, as desired.