

Implicit Function Theorem

U open in \mathbb{R}^n , V open in \mathbb{R}^m , $f: U \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$ smooth. The partial derivatives $D_1 f(w_0, v_0)$ and $D_2 f(w_0, v_0)$ are the derivatives of the composites

$$U \xrightarrow{\text{SLICE}} U \times V \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{R}^p, \quad V \xrightarrow{\text{SLICE}} U \times V \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{R}^p.$$
$$u \longrightarrow (u, v_0) \qquad v \longrightarrow (w_0, v)$$

IMPLICIT FUNCTION THEOREM. Let f be a smooth function as above, and assume that $p = m$ and $D_2 f(w_0, v_0)$ is an isomorphism whenever $f(w_0, v_0) = 0$. Then for each (w_0, v_0) there are open neighborhoods U' of w_0 and V' of v_0 and a smooth function $g: U' \rightarrow V'$ such that $f(u, v) = 0$ in $U' \times V' \iff v = g(u)$.

Sketch of proof. By the corollaries to the Inverse function theorem there is a diffeomorphism $h: U_0 \times V_0 \rightarrow U_1 \times V_1$ (with everything ^{essentially} contained in $U \times V$) such that $f \circ h^{-1}(x, y) = y$. Take $g(x)$ to be $h^{-1}(x, 0)$. ■