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Let R and C be the real and complex fields, respectively, and for  $\zeta \in C$  let  $\mathscr{R}(\zeta)$  be the real part of  $\zeta$ . If  $f: M^{p+1} \to N^p$ is real analytic and open with  $p \ge 1$ , then there is a closed subspace  $X \subset M^{p+1}$  such that dim  $f(X) \le p-2$  and, for every  $x \in M^{p+1} - X$ , there is a natural number d(x) with f at x locally topologically equivalent to the map

 $\phi_{d(x)}: C \times R^{p-1} \longrightarrow R \times R^{p-1}$ 

defined by  $\phi_{d(x)}(z, t_1, \dots, t_{p-1}) = (\mathscr{R}(z^{d(x)}), t_1, \dots, t_{p-1})$ .

In [7] Nathan proved: If  $f: M^2 \to N^1$  is real analytic and open, then for every  $x \in M^2$  there is a natural number d(x) with f at xlocally topologically equivalent to the map  $\phi_{d(x)}: C \to R$  defined by  $\phi_{d(x)}(z) = \mathscr{R}(z^{d(x)})$ . This is the case p = 1 of the above theorem, but our proof is not a generalization of his.

Examples (see (3.3)) show that "topologically equivalent" cannot be replaced by "analytically equivalent" or even " $C^1$  equivalent", freal analytic cannot be replaced by  $f \ C^{\infty}$  (but see (3.1)), an exceptional set X with dim  $f(X) \ge p-2$  is needed, and dim X may be p-1.

CONVENTIONS 1.2. We must assume that the reader has [2] at hand, and we follow its conventions. In particular we need [2; (2.2), (2.4), (2.5), (2.6), (2.8), (2.9), (3.1), and (3.9)]. For  $f: M^n \to N^p$ ,  $B_f$  is the set of x in  $M^n$  at which f is not locally topologically equivalent to the projection map  $\rho: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^p$ . The symbol  $\approx$  is read "is diffeomorphic to".

DEFINITIONS 1.3. C-analytic sets are defined in [2]. A C-analytic set is called C-irreducible [9, p. 155] if it is not the sum of two C-analytic subsets distinct from itself. Whitney and Bruhat [9, p. 155, Proposition 11] prove that any C-analytic set V is uniquely the (countable) locally finite union of C-irreducible C-analytic subsets  $V_m$ , no one of which contains another. The  $V_m$  are called the C-irreducible components of V. Conversely, any locally finite union of C-analytic sets is a C-analytic set [9, p. 154].

DEFINITIONS 1.4. Let V be a complex analytic set of dimension v. There is a complex analytic subset  $S \subset V$  such that dim S < v and V - S is a complex analytic v-manifold [8, p. 500]. (The points of

V-S are called simple or regular.) Let M be a complex analytic manifold, and let T(M, p) for  $p \in M$  be the tangent plane of M at p. Suppose that for each  $p \in M$ , v-plane T, and sequence  $\{q_i\} \subset V-S$ with  $q_i \rightarrow p$  and  $T(V, q_i) \rightarrow T$ , we have  $T(M, p) \subset T$ ; then V is said to be *a*-regular over M. If V and M also satisfy another property (*b*-regular), then V is said to be regular over M [8, p. 540].

LEMMA 1.5. (Whitney [7, p. 540, Lemma 19.3].) Suppose that V and W are complex analytic sets, and dim  $V > \dim W$ . Then there is a complex analytic subset S of W such that dim  $S < \dim W$ , each point of W - S is simple, and V is regular over the complex analytic manifold W - S.

2. Analytic sets and maps.

LEMMA 2.1. Let  $f: M^n \to N^p$  be  $C^{\omega}$ , and let  $V \subset M^n$  be a nonempty C-analytic subset of  $M^n$  with dimension v. Then

(a) (Whitney and Bruhat [9, p. 156, Proposition 13]), there is a C-analytic subset  $S \subset V$  such that dim  $S \leq v - 1$  and V - S is a v-dimensional  $C^{\omega}$  submanifold of  $M^{n}$ ;

(b) there is a C-analytic subset  $E \subset V$  such that V - E is a vdimensional  $C^{\omega}$  submanifold of  $M^{n}$ , f|(V - E) has constant rank r, and dim  $f(E) \leq v - 1$ ;

(c) dim  $f(V) \leq \max \{v - 1, r\} \leq v$ ; and

(d) if V is C-irreducible (1.3), then  $\dim f(V) \leq r$ .

*Proof.* We use induction on v; if v = 0, then V is discrete and the results are trivial.

Let  $V_m$  be the C-irreducible components of V (1.3). According to [2, p. 22, (3.1)] there is a C-analytic subset  $E_m$  of  $V_m$  such that dim  $E_m < \dim V_m$ ,  $V_m - E_m$  is a  $C^{\omega}$  submanifold of  $V_m$  with dimension dim  $V_m$ , and  $f \mid (V_m - E_m)$  has constant rank  $r_m$ . Let r be the maximum  $r_m$  for those m with dim  $V_m = v$ .

If (1) dim  $V_m < v$ , or (2) dim  $V_m = v$  and  $r_m < r$ , let  $F_m = V_m$ ; (3) otherwise, let  $F_m = E_m$ . Since the  $V_m$  are locally finite, the  $F_m$ are also. Let  $S \subset V$  be the C-analytic subset given by (a). Then by inductive hypothesis (c), dim f(S) < v and dim  $f(F_m) < v$  in cases (1) and (3). In case (2) dim  $f(E_m) < v$  also, and, from the Rank Theorem [1, p. 155] applied to  $f | (V_m - E_m)$ , dim  $(f(V_m - E_m)) \leq r_m < r \leq v$ . Since each of  $E_m$  and  $(V_m - E_m)$  is the countable union of compact sets, dim  $f(V_m) < v$ . Let  $E = S \cup (\bigcup_m F_m)$ . Then dim f(E) < v; (b) results from the local finiteness of the  $F_m$  and (1.3); and (again from the Rank Theorem) (c) is a corollary. Now suppose that V is C-irreducible. Let W be the set E of (b), let  $W_m$  be its C-irreducible components, and let  $E_m$  be as given by (b) for  $W_m$ . If each  $f \mid (W_m - E_m)$  has rank at most r, then  $\dim f(W_m) \leq r$  by inductive hypothesis, and (d) follows. Thus we may suppose that for some  $W_m$  and  $E_m$ , call them W and  $E, f \mid (W - E)$  has rank greater than r.

Let  $M^*$ ,  $N^*$ ,  $f^*$ ,  $V^*$ ,  $W^*$ , and  $(W - E)^*$  be complexifications (see e.g. [2, (2.4), (2.5), (2.6)]), where  $M^*$  is small enough that  $V^*$  is irreducible in  $M^*$  [9, p. 155, Proposition 11 and p. 151, Corollary 2]. Let  $E' \subset V^*$  be as given by [2, (3.1)] for  $V^*$  and  $f^*$ , so that  $f^* | (V^* - E')$  has constant rank k. By definition of r, V has a simple point x at which f | V has rank r; thus  $f^* | V^*$  has rank r at x also, so that  $k \ge r$ . Since dim  $E' < \dim V^* = v$  [9, p. 155, Proposition 12], dim  $(E' \cap M^*) < v$ ; thus k = r.

Let  $S^*$  be the analytic subset of  $(W - E)^*$  given by (1.5) such that  $V^*$  is regular over the manifold  $X^* = (W - E)^* - S^*$  and let  $q \in X^*$ . Since  $V^*$  is irreducible, the simple points of  $V^*$  are dense in  $V^*$  [5, p. 68, Corollary 2]. Thus  $V^* = Cl[V^* - E']$ , so there exist  $q_i \in V^* - E'$  with  $q_i \rightarrow q$ . Let  $T_i$  and T be the tangent planes of  $V^* - E'$  at  $q_i$  and of  $X^*$  at q, respectively. Since the Grassman manifold G of v-planes in  $C^*$  is compact, there are  $T' \in G$  and a subsequence  $T_{i(j)} \rightarrow T'$ , and since  $V^*$  is a-regular over  $X^*$ ,  $T \subset T'$ . Now  $f \mid (V^* - E')$  has rank r, while  $f^* \mid X^*$  has rank greater than r, and a contradiction results.

Substantially the same proof yields the complex analog, where C-analytic is replaced by analytic. There is a unique minimal set E satisfying (b), viz. the intersection of all sets E satisfying (b).

LEMMA 2.2. Let  $f: K^k \times R^{p-1} \to R \times R^{p-1}$   $(p \ge 1)$  be a  $C^{\omega}$  layer map (i.e.,  $f(K^k \times \{t\}) \subset R \times \{t\}$ ), let  $f_i: K^k \to R$  be defined by  $(f_i(x), t) =$ f(x, t), and let  $\Gamma \subset R_{p-1}(f)$  be a C-analytic subset with dim  $\Gamma \le p - 1$ . Then there is a C-analytic subset  $\Delta \subset \Gamma$  such that dim  $f(\Delta) \le p - 2$  and

$$\dim\left((\Gamma-\varDelta)\cap (K^k\times\{t\})\right)\leqq 0$$

for each  $t \in \mathbb{R}^{p-1}$ .

Proof. Let  $E \subset \Gamma$  and r be as given by (2.1(b)). If r , $then let <math>\Delta = \Gamma$ ; if r = p - 1, let  $\Delta = E$ . In either case, dim  $f(\Delta) \leq p - 2$  (2.1(c)). If  $\Gamma - \Delta \neq \emptyset$ , it is a  $C^{\omega}(p - 1)$ -manifold, and  $f \mid (\Gamma - \Delta)$ has rank p - 1. Since  $\Gamma \subset R_{p-1}(f)$ ,  $R_{p-1}(f) \cap (K^k \times \{t\}) = R_0(f_t)$ , and dim  $(f_t(R_0(f_t))) \leq 0$  (by Sard's Theorem [1, p. 156]),  $\Gamma - \Delta$  is transverse to each  $K^k \times \{t\}$  at each point of intersection. In other words, the inclusion map  $i: \Gamma - \Delta \to K^k \times R^{p-1}$  is transverse regular on  $K^k \times \{t\}$ , so by Thom's Transversality Theorem [1, p. 165]  $i^{-1}(K^k \times \{t\}) =$   $(\Gamma - \Delta) \cap (K^k\{t\})$  is a 0-dimensional manifold.

LEMMA 2.3. If  $f: R^2 \times R^{p-1} \to R \times R^{p-1}$  is an open  $C^{\omega}$  layer map, then there is a closed subset  $X \subset R^2 \times R^{p-1}$  such that  $\dim f(X) \leq p-2$ and  $\dim ((B_f - X) \cap f^{-1}(y, t)) \leq 0$  for each  $(y, t) \in R \times R^{p-1}$ .

*Proof.* By the Rank Theorem [1, p. 155]  $B_f \subset R_{p-1}(f)$ . (\*) It suffices to prove the theorem locally, i.e., to show that for each  $(x, t) \in R_{p-1}(f)$ , there are neighborhoods  $P \approx R^2$  of x and  $Q \approx R^{p-1}$  of t such that  $f \mid P \times Q$  satisfies the conclusion.

Now  $R_{p-1}(f)$  is a C-analytic set [2, (2.9)], and since dim  $(f(R_{p-1}(f))) \leq p$ . It is the union of its C-irreducible components  $V_m$  with dimension  $v_m$ ; let  $E_m$  and  $r_m$  be as given by (2.1(b)) (or [2, (3.1)]). Let E be the union of the C-analytic subset  $S \subset R_{p-1}(f)$  given by (2.1(a)), the  $V_m$  for  $v_m = r_m = p - 1$ , and the  $E_m$  for  $v_m = p$  and  $r_m = p - 1$ , and let F be the union of the  $V_m$  with  $r_m \leq p - 2$ . Let  $G \subset E$  be the Canalytic subset  $\varDelta$  given by (2.2) for  $\Gamma = E$ . Then dim  $(f(F \cup G)) \leq$  p - 2 (2.1(d)), so we may define X to contain  $F \cup G$ . Thus (see (\*)) we may consider only neighborhoods  $P \times Q$  disjoint from  $F \cup G$ , i.e., it suffices to prove the lemma in case  $F = G = \emptyset$ . By (2.2) dim  $(E \cap (R^2 \times \{t\})) \leq 0$  for each  $t \in R^{p-1}$ , so (see (\*)) it suffices to prove the lemma at the points of  $R_{p-1}(f) - E$ , i.e., to assume  $E = \emptyset$ . Thus  $R_{p-1}(f)$  is a p-manifold (or is  $\emptyset$ ) and  $f \mid R_{p-1}(f)$  has rank p - 1.

We now apply [2, (3.9)] to each component  $\Gamma$  of  $R_{p-1}(f)$ . Since f is open, each  $k(\Gamma)$  is odd and  $B_f$  is contained in the at most (p-1)-dimensional analytic set  $A = \bigcup_{\Gamma} A(\Gamma)$ . Let  $\Delta \subset A$  be the *C*-analytic subset given by (2.2). We may take  $\Delta = X$ , and the conclusion results.

#### 3. Proof of the theorem.

THEOREM 3.1. ([3, (1.1) and (4.1)].) Let  $f: M^n \to N^p$  be a  $C^3$  open map with  $p \ge 1$ , and let dim  $(B_f \cap f^{-1}(y)) \le 0$  for each  $y \in N^p$ . Then there is a closed set  $X \subset M^{p+1}$  such that dim  $f(X) \le p-2$  and, for every  $x \in M^{p+1} - X$ , there is a natural number d(x) with f at x locally topologically equivalent to the map

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defined by  $\phi_{d(x)}(z, t_1, \dots, t_{p-1}) = (\mathscr{R}(z^{d(x)}), t_1, \dots, t_{p-1}).$ 

*Proof of* (1.1) 3.2. Let X = X(f) be the complement of the set on which f has the desired structure; then  $X \subset B_f$  is closed. We suppose that dim  $f(X) \ge p - 1$ , and will obtain a contradiction.

Since f is  $C^3$ , dim  $(f(R_{p-2}(f))) \leq p-2$  [1, p. 156]. If, for every  $x \in M^{p+1} - f^{-1}(f(R_{p-2}(f)))$ , there is an open neighborhood  $U_x \subset M^{p+1} - f^{-1}(f(R_{p-2}(f)))$  of x with  $\overline{U}_x$  compact and dim  $(f(U_x \cap X)) \leq p-2$ , it follows from the fact that  $\{U_x\}$  has a countable subcover that dim  $(f(X)) \leq p-2$ . Thus, there is an  $\overline{x} \in M^{p+1} - f^{-1}(f(R_{p-2}(f)))$  such that, for every open neighborhood  $U \subset M^{p+1} - f^{-1}(f(R_{p-2}(f)))$  of  $\overline{x}$ , dim  $(f(U \cap X)) \geq p-1$ .

By [1, p. 156, Layering Lemma] there are open neighborhoods Uof  $\bar{x}$  and V of  $f(\bar{x})$  and  $C^r$  diffeomorphisms  $\sigma: R^2 \times R^{p-1} \approx U$  and  $\rho: V \approx R \times R^{p-1}$  such that  $\rho \circ f \circ \sigma = g$  is a  $C^r$  layer map and  $\sigma(\bar{x}) =$ (0, 0). Thus dim  $g(X(g)) \geq p - 1$ . By (2.3) there is a closed set  $Y \subset$  $R^2 \times R^{p-1}$  such that dim  $g(Y) \leq p - 2$  and dim  $((B_g - Y) \cap g^{-1}(y)) \leq$ 0 for each  $y \in R \times R^{p-1}$ .

Let h be the restriction  $g | [(R^2 \times R^{p-1}) - Y]$ ; then X(h) = X(g) - Y, dim h(X(h)) = p - 1, and dim  $(B_h \cap h^{-1}(y)) \leq 0$  for each  $y \in R \times R^{p-1}$ , contradicting (3.1).

EXAMPLES 3.3. Open maps  $f: M^2 \to R$  with dim  $(B_f \cap f^{-1}(y)) = 1$ are given in [4, p. 341] and [6, p. 329]; the latter example may be assumed to be  $C^{\infty}$  except on one point inverse, and thus [1, p. 151] may be assumed to be  $C^{\infty}$ . As a result, "f real analytic" may not be replaced by " $fC^{\infty}$ " in (1.1).

The maps f and g defined by  $f(z) = \mathscr{R}(z)$  and  $g(z) = (\mathscr{R}(z))^3$  are locally topologically equivalent at 0, but are not locally  $C^1$  equivalent, since g has rank 0 at the origin.

There are examples [2, (4.7)(b)] with  $X = B_f$ , dim  $B_f = p - 1$ , and dim  $f(B_f) = p - 2$ .

REMARK 3.4. A real analytic open map  $f: M^p \to N^p$  is light [2, p. 28, (4.2)], and thus for  $p \ge 2$  satisfies a structure theorem [1, p. 155] similar to (1.1).

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