

## Part I:

Motivation & Statement of the  
Malgrange preparation Theorem.

## I - (1) Motivate & State Malgrange's Preparation Thm.

- "A map germ at point  $q$  is an equivalence class of germ equivalent maps" (locally same on nbhd of  $q$ ).
- $\mathcal{E}_n$ : the set of all germs at the origin of smooth functions  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

### \* Motivation: Algebra / Germ Language

- $\mathcal{E}_n$  to  $\mathcal{E}_p$  module structure

Given a smooth map germ  $\phi: (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ ,  $\phi$  induces the homomorphism  $\phi^*: \mathcal{E}_p \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_n$  via  $\phi^* h = \underbrace{h \circ \phi}_{\mathcal{E}_n}, h \in (\mathbb{R}^p, 0) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

$$(\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \xrightarrow{\phi} (\mathbb{R}^p, 0) \xrightarrow{h} \mathbb{R}.$$

An  $\mathcal{E}_n$  module  $A$  becomes an  $\mathcal{E}_p$  module via  $\phi^*$ :

let  $x \in \mathcal{E}_p, a \in A$  s.t.  $xa = (\phi^* x)a \in A$ .

- F.g. as a  $\mathcal{E}_p$  module problem (Simple counter-example)

counter.  $\phi: (x, y) \mapsto (x), \phi^*: \mathcal{E}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_2$

$A = \mathcal{E}_2$  is a f.g.  $\mathcal{E}_2$  by  $\langle 1 \rangle \in \mathcal{E}_2$ .

$A$  is not f.g. as a  $\mathcal{E}_1$ -module,  $\# \langle a_1, \dots, a_k \rangle \in A$

s.t.  $\mathcal{E}_1 \langle a_1, \dots, a_k \rangle = A$ .

### \* The Preparation Thm: Statement

**Theorem 16.1** (Malgrange–Mather preparation theorem). Let  $\phi: (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$  be the germ of a smooth map, and let  $A$  be a finitely generated  $\mathcal{E}_n$ -module for which  $A/I_\phi A$  is finite-dimensional. Then  $A$  is finitely generated as an  $\mathcal{E}_p$ -module. More precisely, let  $\{u_1, \dots, u_r\} \subset A$  be a cobasis for  $I_\phi A$  in  $A$ . Then  $A$  is generated by  $\{u_1, \dots, u_r\}$  as an  $\mathcal{E}_p$ -module.

Explicitly, to say  $A$  is generated by  $\{u_1, \dots, u_r\}$  as an  $\mathcal{E}_p$ -module means that for each  $a \in A$  there are  $h_1, \dots, h_r \in \mathcal{E}_p$  for which

$$a = (h_1 \circ \phi)u_1 + \dots + (h_r \circ \phi)u_r.$$

In general, the  $h_j$  are not uniquely determined.

## Part II:

### The Versality Theorem :

Proof using the Preparation theorem.

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- Versal unfoldings.

- Initial Speeds.

Definition 7.7.

Let  $f_0 \in \mathcal{E}_n$  be a function-germ, and  $F: (\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^a, (0, 0)) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be an unfolding of  $f_0$ . The unfolding  $F$  is **versal** if given any other unfolding  $G: (\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^b, (0, 0)) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  of  $f_0$  there is a map germ  $\phi: (\mathbb{R}^b, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^a, 0)$  such that  $G$  is equivalent to  $\phi^*F$ .  $\star$

The equivalence here is of course  $\mathcal{R}_{\text{un}}^+$ -equivalence.

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Given an unfolding  $F(x, u)$  (with  $u \in \mathbb{R}^b$ ), the **initial speeds** of the unfolding are defined to be,

$$\dot{F}_j(x) = \frac{\partial F}{\partial u_j}(x, 0), \quad (j = 1, \dots, b).$$

These are elements of  $\mathcal{E}_n$ . Let  $\dot{F} \subset \mathcal{E}_n$  be the vector subspace spanned by the initial speeds:

$$\dot{F} = \mathbb{R} \left\{ \dot{F}_1, \dots, \dot{F}_b \right\}.$$

## II-(1) : Reminders $\ni$ State Versality Thm - Intuition for Versality Thm- Pf.

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### Necessary Reminders Before Thm 7.8 Pf

#### - $\mathcal{R}^+$ un Equivalence

Definition 7.6.

Two families  $F, G: \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^a \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are **equivalent** if there is a diffeomorphism  $\Phi: \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^a \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^a$  of the form

$$\Phi(x, u) = (\phi(x, u), \psi(u))$$

and a function-germ  $C: \mathbb{R}^a \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$F(x, u) = G(\phi(x, u), \psi(u)) + C(u).$$

This equivalence is called  **$\mathcal{R}^+$  un-equivalence**.  $\star$

The subscript 'un' in  $\mathcal{R}^+$  is of course for 'unfolding'. In essence therefore, for each value of  $u$ , the function  $G_{\psi(u)}$  is  $\mathcal{R}^+$ -equivalent to  $F_u$ , via the change of coordinates  $\phi_u$  (here  $\phi_u(x) = \phi(x, u)$ ), and the constant  $C(u)$ .

It is important to emphasize that the change in parameters does not involve the state variable  $x$ .

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## Infinitesimally versal unfolding

Let  $f \in \mathcal{E}_x$  be a germ (of finite  $\mathbb{R}^+$ -codimension) and let  $\mathcal{E}_n$  an unfolding of  $f$ ,

$$F(x; u) = f(x) + \sum_{j=1}^l u_j \gamma_j(x)$$

be an  $\mathbb{R}^+$ -infinitesimally versal unfolding of  $f$ , i.e.,

$$Jf + \mathbb{R}\{\gamma_0, \gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_l\} = \mathcal{E}_n,$$

$$\text{w/ } \gamma_0 = 1, \quad \gamma_i = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x_i} \Big|_{u=0}, \quad \forall i \in [1, l].$$

## Statement of the Versality Thm

Thm. Versality (Thm 7.8)

Every infinitesimally versal unfolding is versal.

(it's just easily confusing) : unfolding of  $f$ .

$F: \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^a \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is versal if for

any other unfolding  $G: \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^b \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,

$\exists \phi: \mathbb{R}^b \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^a$  s.t.

$$G = \phi_* F$$

$F: \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^a \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is infinitesimally versal if  $(x, u)$

$$E_n = Jf + \mathbb{R} \left\{ 1, \frac{\partial F}{\partial u_1}(x, 0), \dots, \frac{\partial F}{\partial u_a}(x, 0) \right\}.$$

if for any other unfolding  $G: \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^b \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  
 $\exists \phi: \mathbb{R}^b \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^a, C: \mathbb{R}^b \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  s.t.

$$G = \phi_* F + C(u)$$

↑ some parameters

i.e. we are taking partials over all possible unfoldings  $G$  that are equivalent to  $F$  in the  $\mathbb{R}^+$  inf. versal unfolding sense.

\* Motivation :

- What is Versality Thm's point?

provide an explicit for versal unfolding

\* Question :

Is it obvious that versal unfolding  $\Rightarrow$  infinitesimally versal unfolding?

## I-(2) Warm-up - Lemma for Versality Theorem

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\*Lemma 1 = Statement, observation, big picture.

(ii). More generally, suppose  $F(x; u, v)$  is an unfolding of  $f$  for which  $F_1$  is infinitesimally  $\mathcal{R}^+$ -versal, where  $F_1(x; u) := F(x; u, 0)$ , then

$$J_x F + \mathcal{E}_{u,v} \left\{ 1, \frac{\partial F}{\partial u_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial F}{\partial u_\ell} \right\} = \mathcal{E}_{x,u,v}. \quad ] \begin{matrix} \text{More info than} \\ \text{def. of -inf Rversal!} \end{matrix}$$

Outline:

- $A = \mathcal{E}_{x,u,v} / J_x F$  -  $\mathcal{E}_{x,u,v}$ -module ,  $\phi: \mathbb{R}^{n+l+k} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{l+k}$   
 $(x, u, v) \mapsto (u, v)$
- $A / I_\phi A \cong \mathcal{E}_x / J_f$
- Inf. unfolding  $\Rightarrow$  cobasis of  $J_f$  = cobasis of  $I_\phi A$
- Preparation Thm.  $\Rightarrow$   $A$  f.g. over  $\mathcal{E}_{u,v}$  by  $\langle \cdot \rangle$ .

## \* Lemma: Proof

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A = \mathcal{E}_{x,u,v}/J_x F \\ A/I_{\phi}A \cong \mathcal{E}_x/J_f \\ \text{(Preparation Thm.)} \end{array} \right.$$

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$$J_x F + \mathcal{E}_{u,v} \left\{ 1, \frac{\partial F}{\partial u_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial F}{\partial u_\ell} \right\} = \mathcal{E}_{x,u,v}.$$

Comments: Note that we're proving basically the existence of a basis of  $J_x F$  over  $\mathcal{E}_{u,v}$  for  $\mathcal{E}_{x,u,v}$ . This is finite generatedness and interplay between modules! We smell the preparation theorem here, which is indeed the case.

Pf.

Consider a  $\mathcal{E}_{x,u,v}$  module,  $A = \frac{\mathcal{E}_{x,u,v}}{J_x F}$  along w/ the projection,

$$\phi: \mathbb{R}^{n+l+k} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{l+k}$$

$$(x, u, v) \mapsto (u, v),$$

then under  $\phi$  and by the homomorphism thm. from evaluation map:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi: \frac{\mathcal{E}_{x,u,v}}{J_x F} &\rightarrow \frac{\mathcal{E}_x}{J_f} \\ \left( \tilde{f}(x, u, v) + \left\langle \frac{\partial \tilde{f}(x, u, v)}{\partial x_j} \right\rangle_{j=1}^n \right) &\mapsto f(x, u=0, v=0) + \underbrace{\left\langle \frac{\partial f(x, u=0, v=0)}{\partial x_j} \right\rangle_{j=1}^n}_{\text{af}}, \end{aligned}$$

we deduce

$$\underbrace{A/I_{\phi}A}_{\ker \phi} \cong \frac{\mathcal{E}_x}{J_f}. \quad (1)$$

On the other hand, recall  $F_1$  is infinitesimally versal, i.e.,

$$J_f + \mathbb{R}\{\gamma_0, \dots, \gamma_e\} = \mathcal{E}_x, \quad (2)$$

$$\text{s.t. } \gamma_0 = 1, \quad \gamma_i = \frac{\partial F}{\partial u_i} \Big|_{u=0, v=0} = \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial u_i} \Big|_{u=0} \quad \forall i > 0. \quad \text{Now (1) and (2)}$$

Imply that  $\{1, \frac{\partial F}{\partial u_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial F}{\partial u_e}\}$  is a cobasis of  $I_{\phi}A$  in  $A$ .

Then, by the preparation thm. (maybe plus the remark if you're precise),  
the set  $\{1, \frac{\partial F}{\partial u_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial F}{\partial u_n}\}$  generates  $A$  over  $E_{u,v}$ , whence  
we conclude,

$$E_{x,u,v} = J_x F + E_{u,v} \left\{ 1, \frac{\partial F}{\partial u_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial F}{\partial u_n} \right\}.$$

□

End comment.

I think this pf is quite neat and short. — Solely from the fact that  $F_r(k,u)$  is infinitesimally  $R^+$  Versal, we can learn something about the structure of  $E_{x,u,v}$ ! and by finding structural equivalence between modules

## II - (3) : Prove Versality Thm.

(15 mins)

### Outline of the Pf. of Thm 7.8-

Brief story: Let  $f \in E_x$ ,  $F(x, u)$  infinitesimally versal unfolding of  $f$ . WTS  $G$  any other unfolding, then  $G$  equivalent to an unfolding induced from  $F$ .

Step 1. Construction of  $H, \tilde{F}$  unfolding, then claim to prove

"Lemma":  $H, \tilde{F}$  equivalent  $\Rightarrow G$  equiv. to an unfolding induced from  $F$ .

Step 2. show  $H, \tilde{F}$  equivalent

- Construct "chains" of unfoldings  $H_j$  based on  $H$ .
- Build equivalence between  $H_j$ , suffices to prove for the end of such chain then go by way of "iteration"; i.e.:

$$H_0 \leftarrow \dots \leftarrow H_{k-2} \leftarrow H_{k-1} \leftarrow H_k = H$$

$\Downarrow$   
 $\tilde{F}$

equivalence

(we prove this)

- $H$  and  $\tilde{F}$  are equivalent.
- Warning: this step requires a technical tool (Prop 1), which we prove earlier as warm-up.

## Serious Business: Pf of the Versality Thm.

Thm. Infinitesimal Versality  $\Rightarrow$  Versality.

$\Leftrightarrow$  Let  $F$  be an infinitesimal versal unfolding of  $f$ , then given any other unfolding of  $f$ , say  $G$ , then  $G$  is equivalent to an unfolding induced from  $F$ .

(keep track:  $F(x, u) : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^l$ ,  $G(x, \lambda) : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^k$ ).

Outline (proof):

- Reduce to proving  $H(x, u, \lambda)$  equivalent to  $\overset{\cup}{F}(x, u, \lambda) = F(x, u)$
- Reduce to proving  $H_k(x, u, \lambda)$  equivalent to  $H_{k-1}(x, u, \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{k-1}, 0)$
- Apply Prop 1 to  $\{H_k, \underset{\text{inf.}}{H_0(x, u)} = \underset{\text{inf. versal.}}{H_k(x, u, 0)}\}$
- $\frac{\partial H_k}{\partial \lambda_k} = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i(x, u, \lambda) \cdot \frac{\partial H_k}{\partial x_i} + b_0(u, \lambda) + \sum_{j=1}^l b_j(u, \lambda) \cdot \frac{\partial H_k}{\partial u_j}$
- $\Phi_t = (\phi(x, u, \lambda), \gamma(u, \lambda), \lambda^!, \lambda_k - t)$
- $\int \frac{d}{dt} H_k \Phi_t = \int b_0(\Phi_t)$
- $\begin{cases} H_k \circ \Phi_t - H_k = C_t(u, \lambda) \\ H_k \circ \Phi_t = H_k + C_t(u, \lambda) \end{cases}$

$$\lambda_k = t \Rightarrow H_{k-1} \circ \Phi_{\lambda_k} = H_k + C_{\lambda_k}(u, \lambda)$$

$$\text{Fix: } \overset{\cup}{\Phi} = (\phi(x, u, \lambda), \gamma(u, \lambda), \lambda^!, \lambda_k)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow H_{k-1} \circ \overset{\cup}{\Phi} &= H_{k-1} \circ \Phi_{\lambda_k} \\ &= H_k + C_{\lambda_k}(u, \lambda). \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

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$\Leftrightarrow$  Let  $F$  be an infinitesimal versal unfolding of  $f$ , then given any other unfolding of  $f$ , say  $G$ , then  $G$  is equivalent to an unfolding induced from  $F$ .

(keep track:  $F(x, u) : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^l$ ,  $G(x, \lambda) : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^k$ ).

Pf.

Let  $G(x, \lambda)$  be any unfolding of  $f$ , and it suffices to show the equivalence between  $G$  and any unfolding induced from  $F$ .

To get a bit room for flexibility, form another unfolding of  $f$ :

$$H := F \oplus G : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^l \times \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$H(x, u, \lambda) = F(x, u) + G(x, \lambda) - f(x)$$

Now we have more "freedom" by this  $H$  construction. Indeed, we have

Lemma:

Let  $G$  be an unfolding; then for  $\overset{\text{def}}{F}(x, u, \lambda) = F(x, u)$ ,

$H = F \oplus G$  is  $\mathbb{R}_{un}^+$  equivalent to  $\overset{\text{def}}{F} \Rightarrow G$  equivalent to an unfolding induced from  $F$ .

\* proof is IOU (later).

So now it suffices to show  $H$  is  $\mathbb{R}_{un}^+$  equivalent to  $\overset{\text{def}}{F}$ . Construct the unfoldings,

$$H_j(x, u, \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k) = H(x, u, \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_j, 0, \dots, 0),$$

$j \in \{0, \dots, k\}$ , where  $H_0 = \overset{\text{def}}{F}$ ,  $H_k = H$ . In particular we prove equivalence via a chain:

$$H_k \sqsubset H_{k-1} \sqsubset \dots \sqsubset H_1 \sqsubset H_0,$$

by simply proving  $H_j$  is  $\mathbb{R}_{un}^+$ -equivalent to  $H_{j-1}$ ,  $j > 0$ .

Exercise:

A side remark is  
 $F$  inf. versal  
 $\Rightarrow H_j$  are  
inf. versal  
by def.

As w/ the Montaldi book notation, to simplify notation we prove the

Case :

WTS.  $H_k$  is  $\mathbb{R}^+$  equivalent to  $H_{k-1}$ .

and follow notation  $\lambda = (\lambda', \lambda_k)$ .

Pf.

Note that  $\underbrace{H_k(x, u, \lambda)}_{\text{"F"}}$  is an unfolding of  $f$  for which  $\underbrace{H_0(x, u)}_{\text{"T"}}$  is  $H_k(x, u, 0)$  infinitesimally  $\mathbb{R}^+$ -versal. So we apply Lemma 1 from above, i.e.,

$$\text{or } \Sigma_{x, u, \lambda} = J_x H_k + \Sigma_{u, \lambda} \left\{ 1, \frac{\partial H_k}{\partial u_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial H_k}{\partial u_l} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists a_i(x, u, \lambda), i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$$

$$\exists b_j(u, \lambda), j \in \{0, \dots, l\} \text{ s.t.}$$

$$\text{(*) } \frac{\partial H_k}{\partial \lambda_k} = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i(x, u, \lambda) \frac{\partial H_k}{\partial x_i} + \underbrace{b_0(u, \lambda)}_{\substack{\text{from } g_{10}=1 \\ \in \Sigma_{x, u, \lambda}}} + \sum_{j=1}^k b_j(u, \lambda) \frac{\partial H_k}{\partial u_j},$$

Focus on the vector field associated to (\*),

$$(* \#) \quad V = -\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda_k} + \sum_i a_i(x, u, \lambda) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} + \sum_j b_j(u, \lambda) \frac{\partial}{\partial u_j}$$

Note  $H_k$  is smooth so <sup>(\*\*\*)</sup> view this as a vector field on a flow

w/ the form  $\{ \Phi_t \text{ flow on the vector field } V \}$

$$V = \sum_{i=1}^{n+l+k+1} f_i(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \quad f_i \text{ the } i\text{th of } f(x) = \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} \Phi_t(x).$$

and integrating <sup>(\*\*\*)</sup> vector field produces a diffeomorphism of form,

smoothness of  $H_k$   
allows to not worry about continuity

$$\Phi_t(x, u, \lambda) = (\phi_t(x, u, \lambda), \gamma_t(u, \lambda), \lambda', \lambda_k - t)$$

and denote,

$$\bar{\Phi}_t(u, \lambda) = (\gamma_t(u, \lambda), \lambda', \lambda_k - t),$$

(comment: Good to think about vector field  $\mathfrak{z}$  in integration result's coordinate correspondence. If you're not convinced, see at the end of notes a detailed computation.)

Where  $\Phi_t, \bar{\Phi}_t$  are diffeomorphism germs.

Now rearranging terms in (1) gives,

$$(1) \quad \frac{-\partial H_k}{\partial \lambda_k} + \sum_i q_i(x, u, \lambda) \frac{\partial H_k}{\partial x_i} + \sum_{j>1} b_j(u, \lambda) \frac{\partial H_k}{\partial u_j} = -b_0(u, \lambda).$$

By the associated vector field integration step,

$$m \quad (2) \quad \frac{d}{dt} (H_k \circ \Phi_t(x, u, \lambda)) = -b_0(\Phi_t(u, \lambda))$$

Comment: Recall  $f_i$ 's in  $v = \sum_{i=1}^{n+k+1} f_i(\tilde{x}) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$  vector field are the  $i$ -th component of  $\frac{d}{dt}|_{t=0} \Phi_t(u)$ . Now "evaluate" both sides of (1) along the "Integrated result" to get (2). "evaluation of vector field" on flow

Now integrating from  $t=0$  (2) gives

$$m \quad H_k \circ \Phi_t(x, u, \lambda) - H_k(x, u, \lambda) = C_t(u, \lambda), \underbrace{?}_{\text{derived based on } b_0, \text{ a smooth function.}}$$

and evaluating at  $t=\lambda_k$  gives,

$$(3) \quad H_k \circ \Phi_{\lambda_k}(x, u, \lambda) - H_k(x, u, \lambda) = C_{\lambda_k}(u, \lambda)$$

and note the last entry of  $\Phi_{\lambda_k}$  is 0, so, (dependency on  $k$  removed)

$$m \quad H_k \circ \Phi_{\lambda_k}(x, u, \lambda) = H_{k-1} \circ \Phi_{\lambda_k}(x, u, \lambda)$$

Note that  $\Phi_{\lambda_k}$  is not a diffeomorphism due to the "degeneracy" coming from the last 0 entry, so a slight twist fixes the problem,

$$m \quad \hat{\Phi}(x, u, \lambda) = (\phi_{\lambda_k}(x, u, \lambda), \gamma_{\lambda_k}(u, \lambda), \lambda', \lambda_k),$$

and you can use the inverse function Thm to prove that  $\hat{\Phi}$  is the germ of a diffeomorphism.

By construction,

$$m \quad H_{k-1} \circ \hat{\Phi} = H_{k-1} \circ \Phi_{\lambda_k}.$$

Hence w/ (3),

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$$m \quad H_{k-1} \circ \hat{\Phi} = H_k \circ \Phi_{\lambda_k}(x, u, \lambda) = H_k + C_{\lambda_k}(u, \lambda),$$

where  $C$  is smooth.  $\mathcal{E}$  gives the equivalence relation diffeomorphism between unfoldings  $H_k$  and  $H_{k-1}$ .

Repeat the above process for  $j = k, k-1, \dots, 1$ , we conclude that  $H_k = \overset{\curvearrowleft}{F}$  is  $R_m^+$  equivalent to  $H_0 = H$ . Hence by Lemma, we have shown infinitesimal versality  $\Rightarrow R_m^+$  equivalence.

□

## IOU proof for Lemma [if time permits]

Lemma :

Let  $G$  be an unfolding; then for  $\tilde{F}(x, u, \lambda) = F(x, u)$ ,

$H = F \oplus G$  is  $R_{un}^+$  equivalent to  $\tilde{F} \Rightarrow F$  equivalent to  $G$

Pf (outline))

-  $H \overset{R^+}{\sim} \tilde{F} \sim F$

- evaluate at  $u=0$

Pf.  $H$  and  $\tilde{F}$  are  $R_{un}^+$  equivalent implies that

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \exists \text{ diffeomorphism } \Phi(x, u, \lambda) = (\phi(x, u, \lambda), \psi(u, \lambda), \chi(u, \lambda)) \\ \exists \text{ a smooth function } C(u, \lambda) \end{array} \right.$$

s.t.

$$\begin{aligned} H(x, u, \lambda) &= \tilde{F}(\phi(x, u, \lambda), \psi(u, \lambda), \chi(u, \lambda)) + C(u, \lambda) \\ &= F(\phi(x, u, \lambda), \psi(u, \lambda)) + C(u, \lambda) \end{aligned}$$

Evaluating at  $u=0$  we have

$$G(x, \lambda) = H(x, 0, \lambda) = F(\phi(x, 0, \lambda), \psi(0, \lambda)) + C(\lambda)$$

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## Part III :-

### Proof of Malgrange Preparation Theorem

- (1) Malgrange's Preparation Thm : Statements & Comments 10 mins
- (2) Outline of Pf. 5 mins
- (3) Preparation Thm Pf: skeleton version 20 mins
- (4) If time: Preparation Thm pf - Proposition 1 10 mins max.

#### III-(1) Malgrange's Preparation Thm.: Statements & Comments

- State Thm w/ full
- $\phi^*(\text{mfp})$  Rnk
- Comment on cobasis  $\Leftrightarrow$  generating set (Rnk).

III - (I)

## Malgrange's Preparation Thm.: Statements & Comments

(10 mins)

### \* Statement

**Theorem 16.1** (Malgrange–Mather preparation theorem). Let  $\phi: (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$  be the germ of a smooth map, and let  $A$  be a finitely generated  $\mathcal{E}_n$ -module for which  $A/I_\phi A$  is finite-dimensional. Then  $A$  is finitely generated as an  $\mathcal{E}_p$ -module. More

### \* Comment on notation " $I_\phi$ "

- "A map germ at point  $q$  is an equivalence class of germ equivalent maps"  
(locally same on nbhd of  $q$ )
- $\mathcal{E}_n$ : the set of all germs at the origin of smooth functions  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

Remark: (i)  $\phi: (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$

$$\phi^*: \mathcal{E}_p \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_n, \quad \phi^* h = h \circ \phi$$

- Montaldi:  $I_\phi = \langle \phi(x_1, \dots, x_n) \rangle \cap \mathcal{E}_n$  generated by components of  $\phi$

- Bröcker:  $\phi^*(m(p)) = \phi^*(\langle x_1, \dots, x_p \rangle)$  by Hadamard's Lemma

( $\phi^* m(p)$  can be identified w/  $m(p)$  via  $\phi^*$ ).

\* Claim:  $\phi^*(m(p)) \subseteq I_\phi \Rightarrow$  Then proving the Malgrange preparation Thm. w/

$A/\phi^*(m(p))A$  implies the case that of  $A/I_\phi A$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Pf. } \phi^*(m(p)) &= \phi^*(\langle x_1, \dots, x_p \rangle) \\ &= \{ f \circ \phi \mid f \in \langle x_1, \dots, x_p \rangle \wedge \in \mathcal{E}_p \} \subseteq \mathcal{E}_n \\ &\subseteq \langle \phi(x_1, \dots, x_n) \rangle \quad \text{“exercise.”} \\ &\subseteq I_\phi \end{aligned}$$

We will use Bröcker's  $\phi^* m(p)$ , as it is the more intuitive notation for a crucial step in the proof.

precisely, let  $\{u_1, \dots, u_r\} \subset A$  be a cobasis for  $I_\phi A$  in  $A$ . Then  $A$  is generated by  $\{u_1, \dots, u_r\}$  as an  $\mathcal{E}_p$ -module.

$$\overset{\sim}{\phi^* m(p)} A$$

Explicitly, to say  $A$  is generated by  $\{u_1, \dots, u_r\}$  as an  $\mathcal{E}_p$ -module means that for each  $a \in A$  there are  $h_1, \dots, h_r \in \mathcal{E}_p$  for which

$$a = (h_1 \circ \phi)u_1 + \dots + (h_r \circ \phi)u_r.$$

In general, the  $h_j$  are not uniquely determined.

Claim: Given  $A$  a f.g.  $\mathcal{E}_p$ -module, TFAE,

(i)  $\{u_1, \dots, u_r\}$  generate  $A$ ,

(ii)  $\{\bar{u}_1, \dots, \bar{u}_r\}$  proj. of  $\{u_1, \dots, u_r\}$  generate  $A/\alpha A$

where  $\alpha = \text{Jacobian ideal of } A$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Obvious

$\Leftarrow$  Nakayama's. Let  $N = \langle u_1, \dots, u_r \rangle$ , then by (ii).

$$N + \alpha A = A$$

$$\Rightarrow N = A. \blacksquare$$

\* E.g.

Let  $\phi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\phi(x) = x^2$ . Let  $A = \mathcal{E}_1$ . Then  $I_\phi = (x^2)$

and obviously  $A/I_\phi A = \mathbb{R}\{1, x^2\}$  is the cobasis of  $I_\phi A$  in  $A$ .

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$\Rightarrow \{1, x^2\}$  generates  $A$  as  $\mathcal{E}_1$ .

$\Rightarrow \forall f \in A$ ,  $f = h_1(x^2) + h_2(x^2)x$ , for some  $h_1, h_2 \in \mathcal{E}_1$ .

III-(2)

## Outline of Pf. of Preparation Thm. (5 mins)

- So we have  $A$ , a f.g.  $\mathcal{E}_p$  module s.t.  $A/\phi^*(m_p) \cdot A$  is finite dimensional, we want to show  $A$  a f.g.  $\mathcal{E}_p$  module.
- How do we approach? Recall identification of the  $\mathcal{E}_n$ -module  $A$  as an  $\mathcal{E}_p$ -module is via:  
$$\phi^*: \mathcal{E}_p \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_n, \text{ induced by } \phi: (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^p, 0).$$
- So we see constructing smooth germs between  $(\mathbb{R}^n, 0), (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ , should be a way to prove our claim.

The big picture behind the proof is:

- Take germ  $\phi: (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ , to find a dissection point of the problem we decompose  $\phi$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \phi: (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & (\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^p, 0) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & (\mathbb{R}^p, 0) \\ & \downarrow \tilde{f} = (\text{id}, f) & & & \downarrow \tilde{g} = (g_1, \dots, g_n) \end{array}$$

- For shorthand, we denote

" $A/\phi^*(m_p) \cdot A$  finite  $\Rightarrow A$  f.g.  $\mathcal{E}(p)$  module"

as simply  $M(\phi)$ , where  $\phi: (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$  is identification for  $A$ .

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We show that  $M(\tilde{f})$  and  $M(\tilde{g})$ . We then show that

$$M(\tilde{f}) \text{ and } M(\tilde{g}) \Rightarrow M(\tilde{g} \circ \tilde{f}) = M(\phi).$$

- We are happy.

III - (3)

(Pseudo) Proof of the Thm.

Prepare: two propositions (i.e. Prove the Malgrange - preparation Thm in each case).

Proposition 1. Let  $h: (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^p, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$  be a germ, then  $M(h)$ .

$$(t, x) \mapsto x$$

Proposition 2. Let  $f: (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$  be a germ w/ rank  $n$ ,  
then  $M(f)$ .

\* The proof for Prop 1 & Prop 2 are at the end of the notes.  
They might not be covered in the talk.

## Decomposition

Decompose  $\tilde{\phi}: (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^P, 0)$  as,

$$(\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \xrightarrow{\tilde{f}} (\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^P, 0) \xrightarrow{\tilde{g}} (\mathbb{R}^P, 0)$$

$$\tilde{f} = (\text{id}, \tilde{\phi}) \quad \tilde{g} = \tilde{g}_n$$

### Claim 1: $M(\tilde{f})$

- $\tilde{f}$  is the obvious projection w/ rank  $n$  ( $\ker \tilde{f} = 0$ ). By Proposition 2,  $M(\tilde{f})$ .

### Claim 2: $M(\tilde{g})$

- $\tilde{g}$  is not that obvious. Recall that if we have germ (Proposition 1)

$$h: (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^P, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^P, 0)$$

$$(t, x) \mapsto x$$

then  $M(h)$ . To see knowing  $M(h)$  is necessary & sufficient for

$M(\tilde{g})$ , note  $\tilde{g}$  is a composition of  $h$ 's defined w.r.t the  $n$  number of  $\mathbb{R}$ 's in the domain of  $\tilde{g} = (\underbrace{\mathbb{R} \times \dots \times \mathbb{R}}_{n \text{ copies}} \times \mathbb{R}^P, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^P, 0)$  st,

where  $\tilde{g}_1: (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^P, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^P, 0)$   
 $\tilde{g}_2: (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^P, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^P, 0)$   
 $\vdots$   
 $\tilde{g}_n: (\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^P, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^{n-1} \times \mathbb{R}^P, 0)$

so that,

$$\tilde{g} = \tilde{g}_1 \circ \dots \circ \tilde{g}_n$$

$$\tilde{g}: \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^P \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n-1} \times \mathbb{R}^P \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^P \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^P.$$

where  $\forall i \in [1, n]$ ,  $\tilde{g}_i \Rightarrow M(\tilde{g}_i)$  by Proposition 1. Then we have a "chain" of modules w/ f.g. relations:

$$\mathcal{E}_{n+p} \xrightarrow{\quad} \mathcal{E}_{(n-1)+p} \xrightarrow{\quad} \dots \xrightarrow{\quad} \mathcal{E}_{p+1} \xrightarrow{\quad} \mathcal{E}_p$$

A f.g. as-module  
by  $M(\tilde{g}_n)$

$\Rightarrow M(\tilde{g})$  by chained f.g. module relation above.



Claim 3 : Under the hypotheses of the preparation Thm (A f.g.  $\mathcal{E}^n$ -mod.  $A/\phi_{\text{mp}}^*$  f.d.),

$$M(f) \text{ and } M(g) \Rightarrow "M(g \circ f) = M(\phi)"$$

Goal : { ① A a f.g.  $\mathcal{E}_n$  module  $\Rightarrow$  A a f.g.  $\mathcal{E}_{\text{mp}}$  module

$$\begin{cases} \tilde{f}: (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^P, 0) \\ \tilde{g}: (\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^P, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^P, 0) \end{cases}$$

② A a f.g.  $\mathcal{E}_{\text{ph}}$  module  $\Rightarrow$  A a f.g.  $\mathcal{E}_p$  module.

Assumptions : Assume A is finitely generated over  $\mathcal{E}(n)$ . Moreover,

$$A/(g \circ f)^* m(p) \cdot A = A/f^* (g^* m(p)) \cdot A$$

is finite dimensional ( $\mathbb{R}$ ).

①  $\tilde{g}^* m(p) \subset m(p+n) \Rightarrow \tilde{f}^* \tilde{g}^* m(p) \subset \tilde{f}^* m(p+n)$

$\Rightarrow A/\tilde{f}^* m(p+n) \cdot A$  is finite dimensional

$M(\tilde{f})$   
 $\Rightarrow A$  is f.g. over  $\mathcal{E}(p+n)$

$$\mathcal{E}^p \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^n$$

② On the other hand, note  $A/\tilde{g}^* m(p) \cdot A = A/\tilde{f}^* \tilde{g}^* m(p) \cdot A$ ,

$\downarrow$       ↓  
 $\tilde{g}^* \langle x_1, \dots, x_p \rangle = I_{\tilde{g}}$        $\tilde{f}^* \tilde{g}^* \langle x_1, \dots, x_p \rangle = I_{\tilde{g} \circ \tilde{f}}$

"equal" up to representation  
 $= I_{\tilde{g}}$        $= I_{\tilde{g} \circ \tilde{f}}$

which is finite dimensional over  $\mathbb{R}$ . Hence by  $M(\tilde{g})$ , A ( $\mathcal{E}(p+n)$  module) is a finitely generated  $\mathcal{E}(p)$ -module. Note we have :

$\mathcal{E}(n)$ -module A f.g. over  $\mathcal{E}(p+n)$

$\mathcal{E}(p+n)$ -module A f.g. over  $\mathcal{E}(p)$

$\Rightarrow$  Under  $(g \circ f)^*$ ,  $\mathcal{E}(n)$ -module A is f.g. over  $\mathcal{E}(p)$ .

III - (4)

Proof of the Thm: Prop 1 + Prop 2

## A Tool

- One step of the proof requires the concept of regular germ  $\ni$  Division Lemma: (for Proposition 1 Proof).

### \* Def (Regular)

A smooth germ  $f: (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $(t, x) \mapsto f(t, x)$  is  $P$ -regular (w.r.t.  $t$ ), if  $f|_{\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}} \in \mathcal{E}(1)^P$  and  $\notin \mathcal{E}(1)^{P+1}$ ; i.e.,  
 $0 = f(0, 0) = \dots = \frac{\partial^{P-1}}{\partial t^{P-1}} f(0, 0)$ ,  $\frac{\partial^P}{\partial t^P} f(0, 0) \neq 0$ .

### \* Division Lemma

Let  $f, g \in \mathcal{E}(n+1)$  be germs s.t.  $f$  is  $P$ -regular. Then  $\exists$   
a  $Q \in \mathcal{E}(n+1)$  and germs  $h_j \in \mathcal{E}(n)$ ,  $j=1, \dots, P$  s.t.

$$g = Qf + \sum_{j=1}^P h_j(x) t^{P-j}.$$

Prepare: two propositions (i.e. Prove the Malgrange - preparation Thm in each case).

Proposition 1. Let  $h: (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^P, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^P, 0)$  be a germ, then  $M(h)$ .

$$(t, x) \mapsto x$$

Pf. By assumption, we may choose finitely many  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_l \in A$  that generate  $A$  over  $\mathcal{E}(pt)$  and  $\underbrace{A/h^*m(p) \cdot A}_{\text{as a real vector space}}$ . Then  $\forall \alpha \in A$ ,

$$\alpha = \sum_{j=1}^l c_j \alpha_j + b \quad (c_j \in \mathbb{R}, b \in h^*m(p) \cdot A)$$

(Consider  $\alpha \in A$  then by generators defined before,  $\alpha = \sum_{j=1}^l c_j \alpha_j$  over  $\mathbb{R}$ ,

$c_j \in \mathbb{R}$ . Note  $\alpha - \sum_{j=1}^l c_j \alpha_j = 0 \Rightarrow t \in h^*m(p) \cdot A$ , over projection  $A \xrightarrow{A/h^*m(p) \cdot A}$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = \sum_{j=1}^l c_j \alpha_j + b, \quad b \in h^*m(p) \cdot A.)$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^l c_j \alpha_j + \sum_k y_k b_k \quad (y_k \in h^*m(p), b_k \in A)$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^l c_j \alpha_j + \underbrace{\sum_k y_k \sum_i r_{kj} \alpha_j}_{(r_{kj} \in \mathcal{E}(pt))} \quad (r_{kj} \in \mathcal{E}(pt))$$

$$\alpha = \sum_{j=1}^l c_j \alpha_j + \sum_{j=1}^l z_j \alpha_j \quad z_j \in h^*m(p) \cdot \mathcal{E}(pt).$$

In particular, consider the case  $\alpha = t \alpha_z$ , s.t.,

$$t \alpha_z = \sum_{j=1}^l (c_{-j} + z_{-j}) \alpha_j \quad \begin{matrix} \sim \\ t \in \mathbb{R} \end{matrix}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (t \delta_{ij} - c_{-j} - z_{-j}) \cdot \alpha_j = 0, \quad ((\delta_{ij}) \text{ the identity matrix})$$

$$(l \times l) \quad \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_l \end{pmatrix} \quad \stackrel{(1)}{=} \quad (l \times 1)$$

and denote  $b_{ij} = t \delta_{ij} - c_{-j} - z_{-j}$ . (now a matrix  $\in \mathbb{R}^{l \times l}$ ).

Now let  $(B_{ij}) \in \text{Mat}_{l \times l}(\mathbb{R})$  be the adjugate of  $(b_{ij})$ , i.e.

$(B_{ij})$  is the transpose of  $(b_{ij})$ 's cofactor matrix. Then :

$$(B_{ij}) = \text{adj}(b_{ij}) \Rightarrow (B_{ij}) \cdot (b_{ij}) = \det(b_{ij}) \cdot (\delta_{ij}) \quad (2)$$

By linear algebra, (1)+(2) implies  $\det(b_{ij}) \cdot \alpha = 0$ .

quadratic comb.  
↓ algebra.

Note  $\Delta \cdot \alpha = 0 \Rightarrow \Delta \cdot A = 0 \Rightarrow A \text{ is } \frac{\mathcal{E}(\text{ptH})}{\Delta \cdot \mathcal{E}(\text{ptH})} \text{-module.}$

Also note  $\det(b_{ij}) = \Delta$

is a function in  $(t, x) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^P$ ; if let  $x=0$ , then  $\Delta$  is in  $t$  alone. This allows to conclude  $\Delta$  is  $q$ -regular w.r.t.

$t$  at  $(t, 0)$ , for some  $q \leq l$  (note  $\Delta(0, 0) = 0$ , hence 1).

Then by the Division Lemma (see page ), since we have,

- $\Delta$  is  $q$ -regular;
- Let  $y \in \mathcal{E}(\text{ptH})$ ; then by Division Lemma,  $\exists Q \in \mathcal{E}(\text{ptH})$ , geras  $h_j \in \mathcal{E}(\text{pt})$ ,  $j=1, \dots, q$  s.t.,

$$y = Q \cdot \Delta + \sum_{j=1}^q h_j(x) t^{q-j}$$

$\in \mathcal{E}(\text{ptH}) \quad \mathcal{E}(\text{ptH}) / \Delta \cdot \mathcal{E}(\text{ptH})$

$\Rightarrow \{t, t^2, \dots, t^{q-1}\}$  is a cobasis of  $\Delta \cdot \mathcal{E}(\text{ptH})$  in  $\mathcal{E}(\text{pt})$

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{E}(\text{ptH}) / \Delta \cdot \mathcal{E}(\text{ptH})$  f.g. over  $\mathcal{E}(\text{pt})$ .

Then

$$A \xrightarrow{\text{f.g. over}} \frac{\mathcal{E}(\text{ptH})}{\Delta \cdot \mathcal{E}(\text{ptH})} \xrightarrow{\text{f.g. over}} \mathcal{E}(\text{pt})$$

$\Rightarrow A$  is f.g. over  $\mathcal{E}(\text{pt}) \Leftrightarrow M(h) \cdot \text{QED.}$

Proposition 2. Let  $\tilde{f}: (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$  be a germ w/ rank  $n$ ,  
then  $M(\tilde{f})$ .

Pf.

By rank-nullity theorem,  $\tilde{f}$  can be expressed in terms of coordinates,

$$(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mapsto (x_1, \dots, x_n, 0, \dots, 0)$$

from which we conclude, for a canonical embedding of  $\mathbb{R}^n \subset \mathbb{R}^p$ ,

any smooth germ  $(\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  can be extended to  $(\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ . Hence  $\tilde{f}^*: \mathcal{E}(p) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(n)$

is surjective.

$\Rightarrow \exists$  finitely many generators of  $A$  over  $\mathcal{E}(n)$  that  
are (representation of) generators of  $A$  over  $\mathcal{E}(p)$ .



**Theorem 2.1. (Mather Division Theorem).** Let  $F$  be a smooth real-valued function defined on a nbhd of 0 in  $\mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}^n$  such that  $F(t, 0) = g(t)t^k$  where  $g(0) \neq 0$  and  $g$  is smooth on some nbhd of 0 in  $\mathbf{R}$ . Then given any smooth real-valued function  $G$  defined on a nbhd of 0 in  $\mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}^n$ , there exist smooth functions  $q$  and  $r$  such that

- (i)  $G = qF + r$  on a nbhd of 0 in  $\mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}^n$ , and
- (ii)  $r(t, x) = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} r_i(x)t^i$  for  $(t, x) \in \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}^n$  near 0.

*Notes.* (1) The Malgrange Preparation Theorem which states that there exists a smooth  $q$  with  $q(0) \neq 0$  such that  $(qF)(t, x) = t^k + \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \lambda_i(x)t^i$  follows from 2.1 in precisely the same way that Theorem 1.1 follows from Theorem 1.2.

**Theorem 1.1. (Weierstrass Preparation Theorem).** Let  $F$  be a complex-valued holomorphic function defined on a nbhd of 0 in  $\mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{C}^n$  satisfying:

- (a)  $F(w, 0) = w^k g(w)$  where  $(w, 0) \in \mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{C}^n$  and  $g$  is a holomorphic function of one variable in some nbhd of 0 in  $\mathbf{C}$ , and
- (b)  $g(0) \neq 0$ .

Then there exists a complex-valued holomorphic function  $q$  defined on a nbhd of 0 in  $\mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{C}^n$  and complex-valued holomorphic functions  $\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_{k-1}$  defined on a nbhd of 0 in  $\mathbf{C}^n$  such that

- (i)  $(qF)(w, z) = w^k + \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \lambda_i(z)w^i$  for all  $(w, z)$  in some nbhd of 0 in  $\mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{C}^n$ , and
- (ii)  $q(0) \neq 0$ .

*Remark.* The reader may well ask what such a theorem is good for. Before we proceed we point out one trivial consequence. Given a nonzero holomorphic function  $F$  of  $n+1$  complex variables, we may assume (by a linear change of coordinates) that  $F = F(w, z)$  is in the form above. Then the Weierstrass Preparation Theorem states that the zero set of  $F$  equals the zero set of the function

$$w^k + \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \lambda_i(z)w^i$$