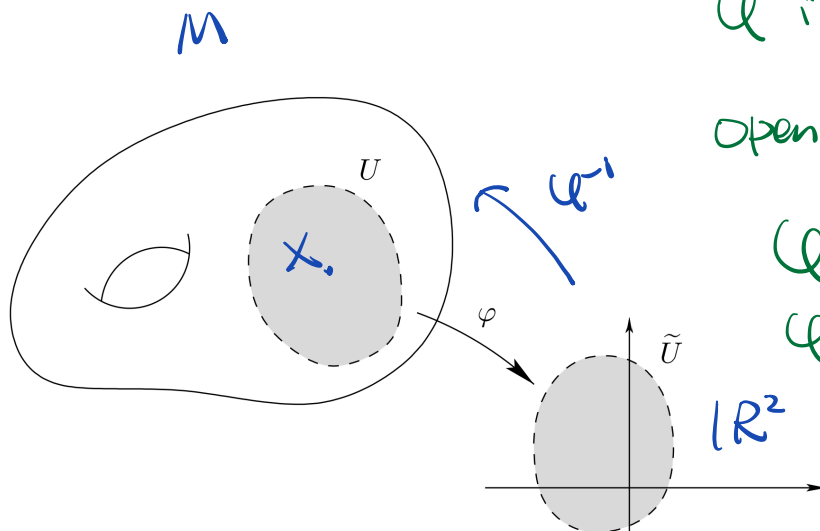


# Definition of topological manifold, charts, smooth manifold



$\mathcal{U}$  is homeomorphic  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{U} \text{ is cont.} \\ \mathcal{U}^{-1} \text{ is cont.} \end{array} \right.$

Open set  $U$  is called neighborhood

$$\mathcal{U}: U \rightarrow \tilde{U}$$

$$\mathcal{U}^{-1}: \tilde{U} \rightarrow U$$

Definition  $M$  is a topological manifold of dimension  $n$

if  $M$  is a second countable Hausdorff topological space and any  $x \in M$  has a neighborhood  $U$  that is homeomorphic to an open set  $\tilde{U}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$

Def  $(U, \mathcal{U})$  is called a (coordinate) chart

Def A topological manifold is smooth if any two charts are smoothly compatible:

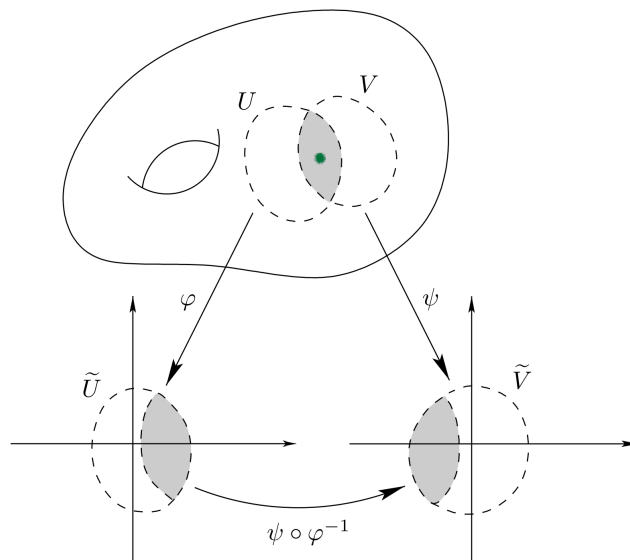
$(U, \mathcal{U})$  &  $(V, \mathcal{V})$  are smoothly compatible if

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{either } U \cap V = \emptyset \\ \text{or } \mathcal{V} \circ \mathcal{U}^{-1} \text{ is smooth} \end{array} \right.$$

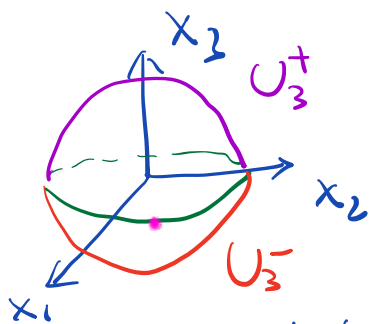
derivatives of any order exists

$$\underline{\psi \circ \varphi^{-1}}: \varphi(U \cap V) \rightarrow \psi(U \cap V)$$

transition map



Example:  $M = S^2 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 = 1 \right\}$



$$U_i^+ = \{ (x_1, x_2, x_3) \in S^2, x_i > 0 \}$$

$$U_i^- = \{ (x_1, x_2, x_3) \in S^2, x_i < 0 \}$$

Define  $\varphi_3^+(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1, x_2)$

$$\varphi_3^-(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1, x_2)$$

Then  $\varphi_3^\pm: S^2 \rightarrow B^2 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 + y^2 \leq 1 \right\}$   
is homeomorphism

Define  $\varphi_i^\pm$  for  $i=1, 2$  similarly

# Examples & Applications of Minimization over a manifold constraint

## I. Examples of manifolds

① Euclidean space  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a manifold of dim  $n$

② Any surface such as paraboloid is a manifold of dim  $2$

③ Sphere in  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$S^{n-1} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2 = 1\} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : x^T x = 1\}$$

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}, A^T = A, \min_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ x \neq 0}} f(x) = \frac{x^T A x}{x^T x} \begin{cases} \text{minimizer is eigenvector } \vec{v}_n \\ \text{minimum is eigenvalue } \lambda_n \end{cases}$$
$$\lambda_n \leq \lambda_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq \lambda_1$$

$\forall a \in \mathbb{R}, f(ax) = f(x) \Rightarrow$  minimizers of  $f(x)$  are not isolated

Instead, we should consider  $\min_{x \in S^{n-1}} f(x)$

④ Noncompact Stiefel manifold

$$n \geq p$$

$$n \begin{array}{|c|} \hline p \\ \hline U \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\mathbb{R}_*^{n \times p} = \{U \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p} : \text{columns of } U \text{ are linearly independent}\}$$

$$= \{U \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p} : U U^T \text{ is a rank } p \text{ matrix}\}$$

$$= \{U \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p} : U^T U \text{ is invertible}\}$$

Guest Lecture on Nov 1st (Last Friday):

Low-rank approximation to Semi-Definite Programming  
for K-means

## ⑤ (Compact) Stiefel manifold

$$\begin{aligned} St(n, p) &= \{ U \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p} : \text{columns of } U \text{ are orthonormal} \} \\ &= \{ U \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p} : U^T U = I_p \} \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem A.1** (Courant-Fischer-Weyl min-max principle). Let  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_n$  be the largest and the smallest eigenvalues of a Hermitian matrix  $A$ , then for any vector  $x \in \mathbb{C}^n$ ,

$$\lambda_n \leq \frac{x^* A x}{x^* x} \leq \lambda_1. \quad A \vec{v}_i = \lambda_i \vec{v}_i$$

Facts for a real symmetric  $A$ :

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \vec{v}_n &= \arg \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \|x\|=1} \frac{x^T A x}{x^T x} \\ \vec{v}_{n-1} &= \arg \min_{x \perp \vec{v}_n, \|x\|=1} \frac{x^T A x}{x^T x} \\ \vec{v}_{n-2} &= \arg \min_{\substack{x \perp \vec{v}_n \\ x \perp \vec{v}_{n-1} \\ \|x\|=1}} \frac{x^T A x}{x^T x} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} &\min_{U \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}} \text{tr}(U^T A U) \\ &U^T U = I_p \\ &= \lambda_n + \lambda_{n-1} + \dots + \lambda_{n-p+1} \end{aligned}$$

Eigenvalue problems are everywhere, see Monday's notes

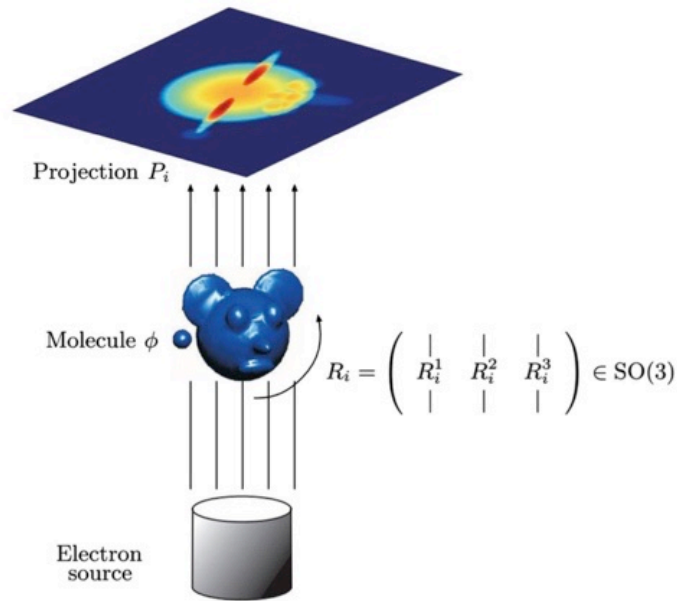
## ⑥ 3D Rotation Group

$$SO_3 = \{ R \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3} : R^T R = I, \det(R) = 1 \}$$

$$\text{e.g. } R = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Cryo-EM (Cryogenic electron microscopy)

uses electron microscope to study samples to find (bio)molecular structures



$$\min_{R} \|AR - B\|^2$$

Fig. 2 Recover the 3-D structure from 2-D projections [8]

Next, will introduce Riemannian metric and first order geometry such as Riemannian gradient.

Let us first consider the eigenvalue example

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{S}^{n-1}} \frac{1}{2} \frac{x^T A x}{x^T x} = \min_{x \in \mathbb{S}^{n-1}} \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} x^T A x}_{f(x)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(x) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad x^T x = 1$$

Define Lagrangian as

$$L(x, \lambda) = f(x) - \frac{\lambda}{2} (x^T x - 1)$$

KKT system for saddle points

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = \nabla f(x) - \lambda x = 0 & \textcircled{1} \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \lambda} = \frac{1}{2} (x^T x - 1) = 0 & \textcircled{2} \end{cases}$$

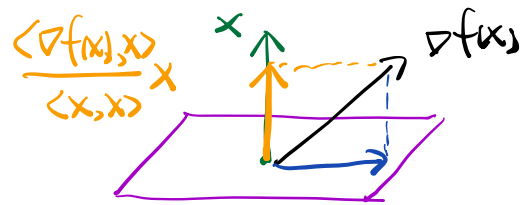
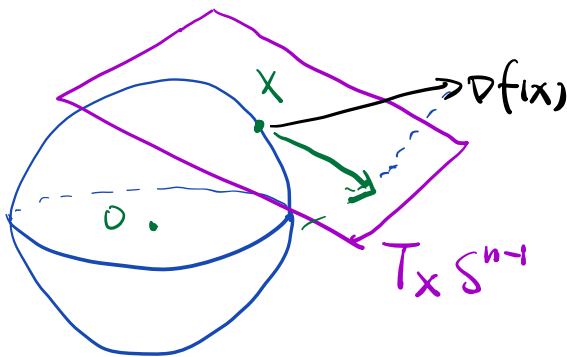
$$\nabla f(x) = Ax$$

$$\text{Multiply ① by } x^T \Rightarrow x^T A x - \lambda x^T x = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = x^T A x = x^T \nabla f(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = \nabla f(x) - \langle x, \nabla f(x) \rangle x$$

To use ① & ②, we get an algorithm

$$\begin{cases} \tilde{x}_{k+1} = x_k - \eta [\nabla f(x_k) - \langle x_k, \nabla f(x_k) \rangle x_k] \\ x_{k+1} = \frac{\tilde{x}_{k+1}}{\|\tilde{x}_{k+1}\|} \end{cases} \quad P_{S^{n-1}}(x_k - \eta \nabla f(x_k))$$



Remark:

①  $\nabla f(x) - \langle x, \nabla f(x) \rangle x$  is the projection to tangent plane  
is the Riemannian gradient on  $S^{n-1}$

② For general surfaces, Lagrangian may not give Riemannian gradient

③ For surfaces, Riemannian gradient can be thought as projection to tangent plane

④ Advantage of manifold: a solid framework for convergence analysis