

# Stable Manifold Theorem: Part 4

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## Stretching of $C^1$ Unstable Disks

The next lemma shows that if  $F$  is applied to a  $C^1$  unstable disk (*i.e.*, an unstable disk that is the graph of a  $C^1$  function), then part of the image gets stretched out of  $\mathcal{B}(r)$ , but the part that remains in is again a  $C^1$  unstable disk.

**Lemma (Unstable Disks)** *Let  $\mathcal{D}_0$  be a  $C^1$  unstable disk, and recursively define*

$$\mathcal{D}_j = F(\mathcal{D}_{j-1}) \cap \mathcal{B}(r)$$

*for each  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then each  $\mathcal{D}_j$  is a  $C^1$  unstable disk, and*

$$\text{diam} \left( \pi_u \bigcap_{i=0}^j F^{-i}(\mathcal{D}_i) \right) \leq 2(\lambda - \varepsilon/\alpha - \varepsilon)^{-j} r \quad (1)$$

*for each  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ .*

*Proof.* Because of induction, we only need to handle the case  $j = 1$ . The estimate on the diameter of the  $\pi_u$  projection of the preimage of  $\mathcal{D}_1$  under  $F$  is a consequence of part **(b)** of the lemma on moving invariant cones. That  $\mathcal{D}_1$  is the graph of an  $\alpha^{-1}$ -Lipschitz function  $\psi_1$  from a subset of  $\mathcal{E}^u(r)$  to  $\mathcal{E}^s(r)$  is a consequence of part **(c)** of that same lemma. Thus, all we need to show is that  $\text{dom}(\psi_1) = \mathcal{E}^u(r)$  and that  $\psi_1$  is  $C^1$ .

Let  $\psi_0 : \mathcal{E}^u(r) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^s(r)$  be the  $C^1$  function (with Lipschitz constant less than or equal to  $\alpha^{-1}$ ) such that

$$\mathcal{D}_0 = \{v_u + \psi_0(v_u) \mid v_u \in \mathcal{E}^u(r)\}.$$

Define  $g : \mathcal{E}^u(r) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^u$  by the formula  $g(v_u) = \pi_u F(v_u + \psi_0(v_u))$ . If we can show that for each  $y \in \mathcal{E}^u(r)$  there exists  $x \in \mathcal{E}^u(r)$  such that

$$g(x) = y, \quad (2)$$

then we will know that  $\text{dom}(\psi_1) = \mathcal{E}^u(r)$ .

Let  $y \in \mathcal{E}^u(r)$  be given. Let  $L = A_{uu}(0)$ . Since  $m(L) > \lambda$ , we know that  $L^{-1} \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{E}^u, \mathcal{E}^u)$  exists and that  $\|L^{-1}\| \leq 1/\lambda$ . Define  $G : \mathcal{E}^u(r) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^u$  by the formula  $G(x) = x - L^{-1}(g(x) - y)$ , and note that fixed points of  $G$  are solutions of (2), and vice versa. We shall show that  $G$  is a contraction and takes the compact set  $\mathcal{E}^u(r)$  into itself and that, therefore, (2) has a solution  $x \in \mathcal{E}^u(r)$ .

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} Dg(x) &= \pi_u DF(x + \psi_0(x))(I + D\psi_0(x)) \\ &= A_{uu}(x + \psi_0(x)) + A_{us}(x + \psi_0(x))D\psi_0(x), \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} \|DG(x)\| &= \|I - L^{-1}Dg(x)\| \leq \|L^{-1}\| \|L - Dg(x)\| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\lambda} (\|A_{uu}(x + \psi_0(x)) - A_{uu}(0)\| + \|A_{us}(x + \psi_0(x))\| \|D\psi_0(x)\|) \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon + \varepsilon/\alpha}{\lambda} < 1. \end{aligned}$$

The Mean Value Theorem then implies that  $G$  is a contraction.

Now, suppose that  $x \in \mathcal{E}^u(r)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|G(x)\| &\leq \|G(0)\| + \|G(x) - G(0)\| \leq \|L^{-1}\| (\|g(0)\| + \|y\|) + \frac{\varepsilon + \varepsilon/\alpha}{\lambda} \|x\| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\lambda} (\|g(0)\| + r + (\varepsilon + \varepsilon/\alpha)r). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\rho : \mathcal{E}^s(r) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^u(r)$  be defined by the formula  $\rho(v_s) = \pi_u F(v_s)$ . Since  $\rho(0) = 0$  and, for any  $v_s \in \mathcal{E}^s(r)$ ,  $\|D\rho(v_s)\| = \|A_{us}(v_s)\| \leq \varepsilon$ , the Mean Value Theorem tells us that

$$\|g(0)\| = \|\pi_u F(\psi_0(0))\| = \|\rho(\psi_0(0))\| \leq \varepsilon \|\psi_0(0)\| \leq \varepsilon r. \quad (3)$$

Plugging (3) into the previous estimate, we see that

$$\|G(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{\lambda} (\varepsilon r + r + (\varepsilon + \varepsilon/\alpha)r) = \frac{1 + \varepsilon/\alpha + 2\varepsilon}{\lambda} r < r,$$

so  $G(x) \in \mathcal{E}^u(r)$ .

That completes the verification that (2) has a solution for each  $y \in \mathcal{E}^u(r)$  and, therefore, that  $\text{dom}(\psi_1) = \mathcal{E}^u(r)$ . To finish the proof, we need to show that  $\psi_1$  is  $C^1$ . Let  $\tilde{g}$  be the restriction of  $g$  to  $g^{-1}(\mathcal{D}_1)$ , and observe that

$$\psi_1 \circ \tilde{g} = \pi_s \circ F \circ (I + \psi_0). \quad (4)$$

We have shown that  $\tilde{g}$  is a bijection of  $g^{-1}(\mathcal{D}_1)$  with  $\mathcal{D}_1$  and, by the Inverse Function Theorem,  $\tilde{g}^{-1}$  is  $C^1$ . Thus, if we rewrite (4) as

$$\psi_1 = \pi_s \circ F \circ (I + \psi_0) \circ \tilde{g}^{-1}$$

we can see that  $\psi_1$ , as the composition of  $C^1$  functions, is indeed  $C^1$ .  $\square$

### $W_r^s$ is a Lipschitz Manifold

Recall that  $W_r^s$  was defined to be all points in the box  $\mathcal{B}(r)$  that produced forward orbits that remain confined within  $\mathcal{B}(r)$ . The next lemma shows that this set is a manifold.

**Lemma (Nature of  $W_r^s$ )**  *$W_r^s$  is the graph of a function  $h : \mathcal{E}^s(r) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^u(r)$  that satisfies  $h(0) = 0$  and that has a Lipschitz constant less than or equal to  $\alpha$ .*

*Proof.* For each  $v_s \in \mathcal{E}^u(r)$ , consider the set

$$\mathcal{D} := \{v_s\} + \mathcal{E}^u(r).$$

$\mathcal{D}$  is a  $C^1$  unstable disk, so by the lemma on unstable disks, the subset  $\mathcal{S}_j$  of  $\mathcal{D}$  that stays in  $\mathcal{B}(r)$  for at least  $j$  iterations of  $F$  has a diameter less than or equal to  $2(\lambda - \varepsilon/\alpha - \varepsilon)^{-j}r$ . By the continuity of  $F$ ,  $\mathcal{S}_j$  is closed. Hence, the subset  $\mathcal{S}_\infty$  of  $\mathcal{D}$  that stays in  $\mathcal{B}(r)$  for an unlimited number of iterations of  $F$  is the intersection of a nested collection of closed sets whose diameters approach 0. This means that  $\mathcal{S}_\infty$  is a singleton. Call the single point in  $\mathcal{S}_\infty$   $h(v_s)$ .

It should be clear that  $W_r^s$  is the graph of  $h$ . That  $h(0) = 0$  follows from the fact that  $0 \in W_r^s$ , since  $F(0) = 0$ . If  $h$  weren't  $\alpha$ -Lipschitz, then there would be two points  $p, q \in W_r^s$  such that  $p \in \{q\} + C^u(\alpha)$ . Repeated application of parts **(b)** and **(c)** of the lemma on moving unstable cones would imply that either  $F^j(p)$  or  $F^j(q)$  is outside of  $\mathcal{B}(r)$  for some  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ , contrary to definition.  $\square$

### $W_{\text{loc}}^s(0)$ is a Lipschitz Manifold

Our next lemma shows that  $W_{\text{loc}}^s(0) = W_r^s$  and that, in fact, orbits in this set converge to 0 exponentially. (The constant  $\tilde{\mu}$  in the statement of the theorem can be chosen to be  $\mu + \varepsilon$  if  $\alpha \leq 1$ .)

Lemma (Exponential Decay) *If  $\alpha \leq 1$ , then for each  $p \in W_r^s$ ,*

$$\|F^j(p)\| \leq (\mu + \varepsilon)^j \|p\|. \quad (5)$$

*In particular,  $W_r^s = W_{\text{loc}}^s(0)$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $\alpha \leq 1$  and  $p \in W_r^s$ . By mathematical induction (and the positive invariance of  $W_r^s$ ), it suffices to verify (5) for  $j = 1$ . Estimating, we find that

$$\begin{aligned} \|F(p)\| &\leq \|\pi_s F(p)\| = \left\| \int_0^1 \frac{d}{dt} \pi_s F(tp) dt \right\| = \left\| \int_0^1 \pi_s DF(tp) p dt \right\| \\ &= \left\| \int_0^1 A_{ss}(tp) \pi_s p + A_{su}(tp) \pi_u p dt \right\| \\ &\leq \int_0^1 [\|A_{ss}(tp)\| \|\pi_s p\| + \|A_{su}(tp)\| \|\pi_u p\|] dt \\ &\leq \mu \|\pi_s p\| + \varepsilon \|\pi_u p\| \leq (\mu + \varepsilon) \|p\|. \end{aligned}$$

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