Generalization of the implicit function theorem and of Banach's open mapping theorem

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In the present paper we prove the existence of implicit functions (Theorem 1) and of "right-inverse" functions (Theorem 2) under very weak assumptions. In Theorem 3 we generalize the open mapping theorem of Banach to a non-linear case and in Theorem 4 we give a new proof of a known multiplier rule (see [4]). The proof of Theorem 1 is based on Banach's open mapping theorem (see for example [2]), on Nadler's fixed point theorem for multivalued contractions (see [3]), and on the Lagrange inequality (see for example [1]). Theorem 2 is a simple consequence of Theorem 1, Theorem 3 follows easily from Theorem 2, finally Theorem 4 is based on Theorem 2 and on the Banach—Hahn theorem.

Notations. If X and Y are Banach spaces, then the set of all linear continuous mappings from X into Y will be denoted by L(X, Y).

For defining equations we use the symbol := on the left side of which we write the "quantity" (number, function, set, etc.) to be defined.

If (X, d) is a metric space, r a positive number and $x \in X$, then

 $S(x, r) := \{y \in X | d(x, y) < r\}$ and $B(x, r) := \{y \in X | d(x, y) \le r\}.$

The dual of a Banach-space X will be denoted by X'. In X and Y are Banach-spaces and $A \in L(X, Y)$, then

 $p(A) := \sup_{y \in Y \setminus \{0\}} \{ ||y||^{-1} \cdot \inf \{ ||x|| | x \in X, Ax = y \} \}.$

Lemma 1. If X and Y are Banach-spaces, $A \in L(X, Y)$ and Im A = Y, then p(A) is finite.

Proof. The conditions of Banach's open mapping theorem are fulfilled, therefore there exists a positive r such that $B(O_Y, r)$ is contained in the A-image of

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 $B(O_X, 1)$. Let us take an arbitrary $0 \neq y \in Y$, then

$$\inf \{ \|x\| x \in X, Ax = y \} = \frac{\|y\|}{r} \inf \{ \|x\| | x \in X, Ax = \frac{ry}{\|y\|} \} \le \frac{\|y\|}{r};$$

consequently $p(A) \le \frac{1}{r}.$

Lemma 2. Let (X, d) be a complete metric space, $\bar{x} \in X$, r > 0 and $\Phi: S(\bar{x}, r) \rightarrow 2^{x}$ such that

a) for all x∈S(x̄, r), Φ(x) is a non-empty closed subset of X,
b) for all x₁, x₂∈S(x̄, r), the Hausdorff distance

$$h(\Phi(x_1), \Phi(x_2)) := \max \{ \sup_{x \in \Phi(x_1)} d(x, \Phi(x_2)), \sup_{x \in \Phi(x_2)} d(\Phi(x_1), x) \}$$

satisfies

$$h(\Phi(x_1), \Phi(x_2)) \leq \frac{1}{2} d(x_1, x_2),$$

c) $d(\bar{x}, \Phi(\bar{x})) < \frac{r}{2}$.

Then there exists an $x \in S(\bar{x}, r)$ such that $x \in \Phi(x)$.

The proof of this lemma can be found in [3], and in [4].

Lemma 3. Let X be a normed space, L a linear subspace of X, u_1 , $u_2 \in X$; $M_i := u_i + L$ (i=1, 2). Then the Hausdorff distance (see Lemma 2) of M_1 and M_2 equals inf $\{||v_1 - v_2|| : v_1 \in M_1, v_2 \in M_2\}$.

Proof. Clearly,

$$\inf_{v_i \in M_i} \|v_1 - v_2\| \leq \inf_{v_2 \in M_2} \|u_1 - v_2\| = d(u_1, M_2) \leq \sup_{v_1 \in M_1} d(v_1, M_2) \leq h(M_1, M_2).$$

If $v_1 \in M_1$ and $v_2 \in M_2$, then $v_i = u_i + y_i$ (i=1, 2, $y_i \in L$), thus $u_2 + y_2 - y_1 \in M_2$ and

$$||v_1-v_2|| = ||u_1-(u_2+y_2-y_1)|| \ge d(u_1, M_2),$$

consequently,

$$\inf_{v_i \in M_i} \|v_1 - v_2\| = d(u_1, M_2).$$

Similar arguments show that for all $v_1 \in M_1$ and $v_2 \in M_2$

$$d(u_1, M_2) = d(v_1, M_2) = d(M_1, v_2),$$

therefore $d(u_1, M_2) = h(M_1, M_2)$.

Theorem 1. Let X and Y be Banach spaces, T a topological space, $G \subset T \times X$ an open set, $(t_0, x_0) \in G$ and $F: G \rightarrow Y$ a function such that

a) $F(t_0, x_0) = O_Y$, $\lim_{t \to t_0} F(t, x_0) = O_Y$;

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- b) for every (t, x)∈G the function F(t, ·) has a Fréchet-derivative at x denoted by D₂F(t, x),
- c) the function $D_2F: G \rightarrow L(X, Y)$ is continuous at (t_0, x_0) , and
- d) Im $D_2F(t_0, x_0) = Y$.

Then for every neighborhood $V \subset X$ of x_0 there exist a neighborhood $U \subset T$ of t_0 and a function $\varphi: U \rightarrow V$ such that $F(t, \varphi(t)) = O_Y$ for all $t \in U$.

Proof. Let us denote $A := D_2 F(t_0, x_0)$. By Lemma 1 we have $p(A) < +\infty$. By assumption c) there exist a neighborhood U_1 of t_0 and a positive number r such that $W := S(x_0, r) \subset V$ and for all $(t, x) \in U_1 \times W$

$$||D_2F(t,x)-A|| < \frac{1}{2p(A)}.$$

Now we get from the Lagrange inequality for all (t, z_1) and $(t, z_2) \in U_1 \times W$

(1)
$$\|F(t, z_2) - F(t, z_1) - A(z_2 - z_1)\| \leq \\ \leq \sup_{\lambda \in [0, 1]} \|D_2 F(t, \lambda z_1 + (1 - \lambda) z_2) - A\| \|z_2 - z_1\| < \frac{\|z_2 - z_1\|}{2p(A)}$$

By assumption a) we may choose a neighborhood U of t_0 such that

(2)
$$p(A) \|F(t, x_0)\| < \frac{r}{2} \quad \text{for all} \quad t \in U.$$

Let $t \in U$ be a fixed element. We shall show that the equation F(t, x)=0 has a solution $x \in W$. We apply Lemma 2 to the Banach space X, to the element $\bar{x} := O_X$ and to the (multivalued) function

$$x \mapsto \Phi(x) := \{z \in X | Ax - Az = F(t, x_0 + x)\}.$$

If $x \in S(0, r)$, assumption d) implies that $\Phi(x)$ is non-empty, the continuity of A implies that $\Phi(x)$ is closed. Moreover, since A is linear, $\Phi(x)$ is an affine subspace. Therefore (by Lemma 3) if $x_1, x_2 \in S(O_X, r)$, then

$$h(\Phi(x_1), \Phi(x_2)) = \inf_{v_i \in \Phi(x_i)} \|v_1 - v_2\| =$$

= $\inf \{ \|v_1 - v_2\| | Av_i = Ax_i - F(t, x_0 + x_i) | i = 1, 2 \}.$

Since Im A = Y, the latter infimum equals

$$\inf \{ \|v\| | Av = A(x_1 - x_2) - F(t, x_0 + x_1) + F(t, x_0 + x_2) \} \le$$
$$p(A) \|F(t, x_0 + x_2) - F(t, x_0 + x_1) - A(x_2 - x_1)\| \le \frac{1}{2} \|x_1 - x_2\|$$

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(see (1)). From (2) it follows that condition c) in Lemma 2 is fulfilled, too:

$$d(0_X, \Phi(0_X)) = \inf \{ ||z|| | Az = -F(t, x_0) \} \le p(A) ||F(t, x_0)|| < \frac{r}{2}.$$

Thus, by Lemma 2, there exists an element $g(t) \in S(O_x, r)$ such that $g(t) \in \Phi(g/t)$, consequently

$$0_Y = A(g(t)) - A(g(t)) = F(t, x_0 + g(t)).$$

Finally, for the element $\varphi(t) := x_0 + g(t) \in V$ we have

$$F(t,\varphi(t))=0_{\mathbf{Y}}.$$

Theorem 2. Suppose we are given two Banach spaces: X and Y, an open set $V \subset X$, an element $x_0 \in V$ and a Fréchet-differentiable function $f: V \to Y$ for which

a) $f': V \rightarrow L(X, Y)$ is continuous at x_0 ,

b) $\operatorname{Im} f'(x_0) = Y$.

Then there exist a neighborhood U of the point $t_0 := f(x_0)$ and a function $\varphi: U \to V$ such that $f \circ \varphi = id_U$ (that is $f(\varphi(t)) = t$ for all $t \in U$); consequently, t_0 is an interior point of the range of f.

Proof. Let us define the function $F: Y \times V \rightarrow Y$ by letting

$$F(t,x):=f(x)-t.$$

Clearly, we can apply Theorem 1 whith T := Y and $G := Y \times V$ and this gives the result to be proved.

Theorem 3. If X and Y are Banach spaces, $g: X \rightarrow Y$ is a Fréchet-differentiable function, $g': X \rightarrow L(X, Y)$ is continuous and $\operatorname{Im} g'(x) = Y$ in every point $x \in X$, then g is an open mapping.

Proof. Let $V \subset X$ be an open set and $f := g|_V$. We must prove that the range R of f is an open set in Y. If $t_0 \in R$, then there exists a point $x_0 \in V$, for which $f(x_0) = t_0$. From Theorem 2 it follows that R is a neighborhood of t_0 .

Theorem 4. Let X and Z be Banach spaces, $W \subset X$ an open set, $g: W \to R$ and $G: W \to Z$ Fréchet-differentiable functions. If a point $x_0 \in W$ affords a local minimum to g under the constraint $G(x) = O_Z$, g' and G' are continuous at x_0 and Im $G'(x_0)$ is closed in Z, then there exist a real number λ and a continuous linear functional $l \in Z'$ such that

(i) at least one of them is different from 0,

(ii) for all $x \in X$, $\lambda g'(x_0)x + l(G'(x_0)x) = 0$.

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Proof. Let us choose an open set $V \subset X$ containing x_0 such that x_0 minimizes the function $g|_V$ under the constraint $G|_V = O_Z$ and let us denote $Y := R \times Z$; for

all $x \in V f(x) := (g(x), G(x))$. From our assumptions it follows that the function $f: V \to Y$ is Fréchet-differentiable, f' is continuous at x_0 , and for all $x \in X$

$$f'(x_0)x = (g'(x_0)x, G'(x_0)x).$$

First we observe that $\operatorname{Im} f'(x_0) \neq Y$. Indeed, if $\operatorname{Im} f'(x_0)$ were the whole space Y, then we could apply Theorem 2: there would be points $x \in V$ with G(x)=0 and $g(x) < g(x_0)$, since $(g(x_0), G(x_0))$ would be an interior point to the range of f. But this is impossible, because x_0 is a solution of the minimum problem on V. Therefore $\operatorname{Im} f'(x_0)$ is a proper linear subspace of Y. If it is a closed subspace, then we can apply a known corollary of the Banach—Hahn theorem: there exists a $0 \neq l \in Y'$ such that $l \circ f'(x_0) = 0$; and since the continuous linear functional l, defined on the product space $R \times Z$ is of the form

$$l(t, z) = \lambda t + l(z)$$

(where $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ and $l \in \mathbb{Z}'$), in this case the proof is complete. If the subspace $\operatorname{Im} f'(x_0)$ is not closed, then there exist a sequence $(x_n) \subset X$ and an element $(r, z) \in Y \setminus \operatorname{Im} f'(x_0)$ such that

$$\lim g'(x_0)x_n = r \quad \text{and} \quad \lim G'(x_0)x_n = z.$$

Since Im $G'(x_0)$ is closed, there is an element $u \in X$ such that $G'(x_0)u = z$. Now we observe that if $x \in \text{Ker } G'(x_0)$, then $g'(x_0)x = 0$ (and consequently if $G'(x_0)u_1 = G'(x_0)u_2$, then $g'(x_0)u_1 = g'(x_0)u_2$). Indeed, if $g'(x_0)x$ were different from 0, then for the real number

$$t := \frac{r - g'(x_0)u}{g'(x_0)x}$$

we would get

$$g'(x_0)(u+tx) = r$$
 and $G'(x_0)(u+tx) = z$,

that is, $(r, z) \in \text{Im } f'(x_0)$. Therefore we can define a functional l_1 on $\text{Im } G'(x_0)$ in the following way: if $z \in \text{Im } G'(x_0)$ and $u \in X$ such that $G'(x_0)u = z$, then

 $l_1(z) := g'(x_0)u.$

Obviously, l_1 is linear and $g'(x_0) = l_1 \circ G'(x_0)$. Moreover, l_1 is continuous: if $U \subset R$ is any open set, then $(g'(x_0))^{-1}(U)$ is open since $g'(x_0)$ is continuous, and

$$l_1^{-1}(U) = G'(x_0) \left[(g'(x_0)^{-1}(U)) \right]$$

is open in the Banach space Im $G'(x_0)$, because $G'(x_0): X \rightarrow \text{Im } G'(x_0)$ is an open mapping. By the Banach—Hahn theorem there is an extension $l \in Z'$ of l_1 , it satisfies (ii) with $\lambda = -1$, as $l \circ G'(x_0) = l \circ G'(x_0) = g'(x_0)$.

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Remark. It is known (see [4]) that Theorem 4 implies various transversality conditions and Euler—Lagrange equations concerning the classical problems im the calculus of variations.

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