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Homework 6

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- (1) (a) In our proof of the existence of parametrization we have constructed (inductively) the map $(\mathbb{C}, 0) \rightarrow (C, 0)$
 $t \rightarrow (x(t), y(t))$. We did not have time to prove two properties: i. this map is injective, ii. $ord_t(x(t)) = mult(C, 0)$. Prove them.
- (b) Given a parametrization $(\mathbb{C}, 0) \rightarrow (C, 0)$
 $t \rightarrow (x(t), y(t))$, with $ord_t(x(t)) = p$, construct a parametrization $\tilde{t} \rightarrow (\tilde{x}(\tilde{t}), \tilde{y}(\tilde{t}))$.
- (c) Suppose $(C, 0)$ is smooth with a parametrization $(\mathbb{C}, 0) \xrightarrow{\phi} (C, 0)$. Rectify $(C, 0)$ to $\{y = 0\} \subset (\mathbb{C}^2, 0)$. Prove that the corresponding map $(\mathbb{C}, 0) \xrightarrow{\phi} \{y = 0\}$ is an analytic isomorphism. (i.e. both ϕ and ϕ^{-1} are analytic)
- (2) (a) Consider the set $\cup_{m \geq 1} \mathbb{C}\{x^{\frac{1}{m}}\}$, here every element is a *finite* sum $\sum a_m(x^{\frac{1}{m}})$, where $a_m(t) \in \mathbb{C}\{t\}$. Prove that this set is a local ring. (The name: the ring of Puiseux power series.) Prove that in this ring the implicit function theorem holds.
- (b) The existence of parametrization implies: for any (\hat{y} -general) series $f(x, y) \in \mathbb{C}\{x, y\}$, $f(0, 0) = 0$, the equation $f = 0$ has a solution $y(x) \in \cup_{m \geq 1} \mathbb{C}\{x^{\frac{1}{m}}\}$. Prove a stronger property: for any (\hat{y} -general) series $f(x, y) \in (\cup_{m \geq 1} \mathbb{C}\{x^{\frac{1}{m}}\})\{y\}$, (i.e. power series in y , whose coefficients are series in fractional powers of x), with $f(0, 0) = 0$, the equation $f = 0$ has a solution $y(x) \in \cup_{m \geq 1} \mathbb{C}\{x^{\frac{1}{m}}\}$.
- (3) Let $f, g \in \mathbb{C}\{x, y\}$.
- (a) Show that $i(f, g) \geq mult(f) \cdot mult(g)$.
- (b) Prove: $mult(f) = \min\{i(f, g) \mid g \in \mathfrak{m} \subset \mathbb{C}\{x, y\}\}$. Prove that the minimum is attained for $g(x, y) = ax + by$, with a, b generic.
- (4) (a) Prove that a line l is tangent to $\{f = 0\}$ iff $i(f, l) > mult(f)$. In particular, if f is irreducible, prove: $mult(f) = \min(ord(x(t)), ord(y(t)))$. (Here $(x(t), y(t))$ is a parametrization.) When is the tangent cone a linear space?
- (b) Define the order of tangency of smooth germs $(C_1, 0)$ $(C_2, 0)$ as $i(C_1, C_2)$. Prove: if this order equals $p \geq 1$, then in some coordinates holds: $(C_1, 0) = \{y = 0\}$, $(C_2, 0) = \{y = x^p\}$.
- (c) Fix a branch $(C, 0) \subset (\mathbb{C}^2, 0)$. For any two points $p, q \in C$ take the line $\overline{p, q} \subset \mathbb{C}^2$. Fix some sequences $\{p_n\}, \{q_n\}$ converging to $(0, 0) \in \mathbb{C}^2$. Suppose $\lim \overline{p_n, q_n}$ exists. Is this necessarily a tangent line of $(C, 0)$?
- (d) Prove that the set of tangent lines of $\{f_p + f_{>p} = 0\}$ is defined by the (reduced) linear factors of $f_p(x, y)$.
- (e) Suppose the Newton diagram, $\Gamma_{(C, 0)}$ is convenient. Its integral length is defined as the number of \mathbb{Z}^2 points on $\Gamma_{(C, 0)}$, minus one. Prove: the number of tangent lines (counted without multiplicities) is at most the integral length of $\Gamma_{(C, 0)}$. When does the inequality occur? Does the bound hold when the tangent lines are counted with multiplicities?
- (5) (a) Consider the curve germ $(C, 0) = \{ \prod_{\substack{i=1 \dots r \\ \alpha_i \neq \alpha_j}} (y^p - \alpha_i x^q) = 0 \}$. Apply the generic coordinate translations to all the branches, to reach a curve whose components intersect only at smooth points and each such intersection point is a node. How many nodes you get?
- (b) Fix two smooth real germs, $(C_1, 0), (C_2, 0) \subset (\mathbb{R}^2, 0)$, with $i(C_1, C_2) = p > 1$. Can you demonstrate a *real* deformation, $C_1(\epsilon), C_2(\epsilon)$, that splits the intersection point at $(0, 0)$ into p nodes? (Hint: fix p points on the \hat{x} -axis and force $C_1(\epsilon), C_2(\epsilon)$ to pass through them.)
- (6) (a) Given an isolated singularity $(C, 0)$, fix some $Ball_\delta(0)$ and a deformation C_ϵ of C . Does there hold, for $|\epsilon| \ll 1$, $\mu(C, 0) = \sum_{pt \in C_\epsilon \cap Ball_\delta(0)} \mu(C_\epsilon, pt)$? (What is the difference between this formula and the one given in the class?)
- (b) Let $f_1(x, y), f_2(x, y)$ be homogeneous polynomials of degrees d_1, d_2 , with no common factors. Compute $i(f_1, f_2)$.
- (c) Let $f(x, y)$ be a homogeneous polynomial of degree p , with no multiple factors. Prove: $\mu(f) = (p - 1)^2$.
- (d) Fix a (not necessarily homogeneous) polynomial $f(x, y)$, of degree p . Suppose the curve $C = f^{-1}(0) \subset \mathbb{C}^2$ has an isolated singularity at the origin. Prove: $\mu(C, 0) \leq (p - 1)^2$. (Hint: choose the generic coordinate axes, such that $f(x, y)$ contains the monomials x^p, y^p . Present f as a deformation of some homogeneous polynomial of degree p .)