

This follows from the continuity of  $F$ , as before. The proof of the theorem is complete.

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### TRANSVERSALITY IN MANIFOLDS OF MAPPINGS<sup>1</sup>

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1. **Introduction.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be differentiable manifolds and  $\mathcal{A}$  a space of mappings from  $X$  to  $Y$ . A common problem in differential topology is to approximate a mapping in  $\mathcal{A}$  by another in  $\mathcal{A}$  which is transversal to a given submanifold  $W \subset Y$ . Thus if  $\mathcal{A}_{X,W}$  is the subspace of mappings transversal to  $W$  it is important to know if  $\mathcal{A}_{X,W}$  is dense in  $\mathcal{A}$ . Some famous examples are the Whitney immersion and embedding theorems [8] and the Thom transversality theorem [4; 7]. In the next section we give sufficient conditions for density in case  $\mathcal{A}$  is a Banach manifold. The proof of the density theorem is indicated in the third section, and in the final section the Thom transversality theorem is obtained as a corollary.

2. **Density theorems.** Throughout this section  $X$  will be a manifold with boundary,  $Y$  and  $Z$  manifolds,  $W \subset Y$  a submanifold ( $W$ ,  $Y$ ,  $Z$  without boundary) all of class  $C^r$ ,  $r \geq 1$ , and modelled on Banach spaces (see [3] for definitions).

2.1. **DEFINITION.** A  $C^r$  mapping  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is *transversal to  $W$  at a point  $x \in X$*  iff either  $f(x) \notin W$ , or  $f(x) = w \in W$  and there exists a neighborhood  $U$  of  $x \in X$  and a local chart  $(V, \psi)$  at  $w \in Y$  such that

$$\psi: V \rightarrow E \times F: V \cap W \rightarrow E \times 0,$$

$\pi_1 \circ \psi$  is a diffeomorphism of  $V \cap W$  onto an open set of  $E$ , and  $\pi_2 \circ \psi \circ f|_U$  is a submersion [3, p. 20], where  $\pi_1: E \times F \rightarrow E$  and

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