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## Today's plan:

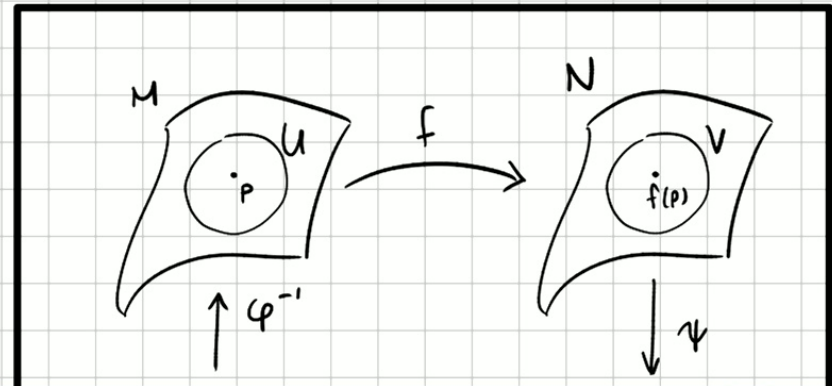
- continuous & smooth maps between manifolds
- tangent, cotangent, tensor bundle
- fields

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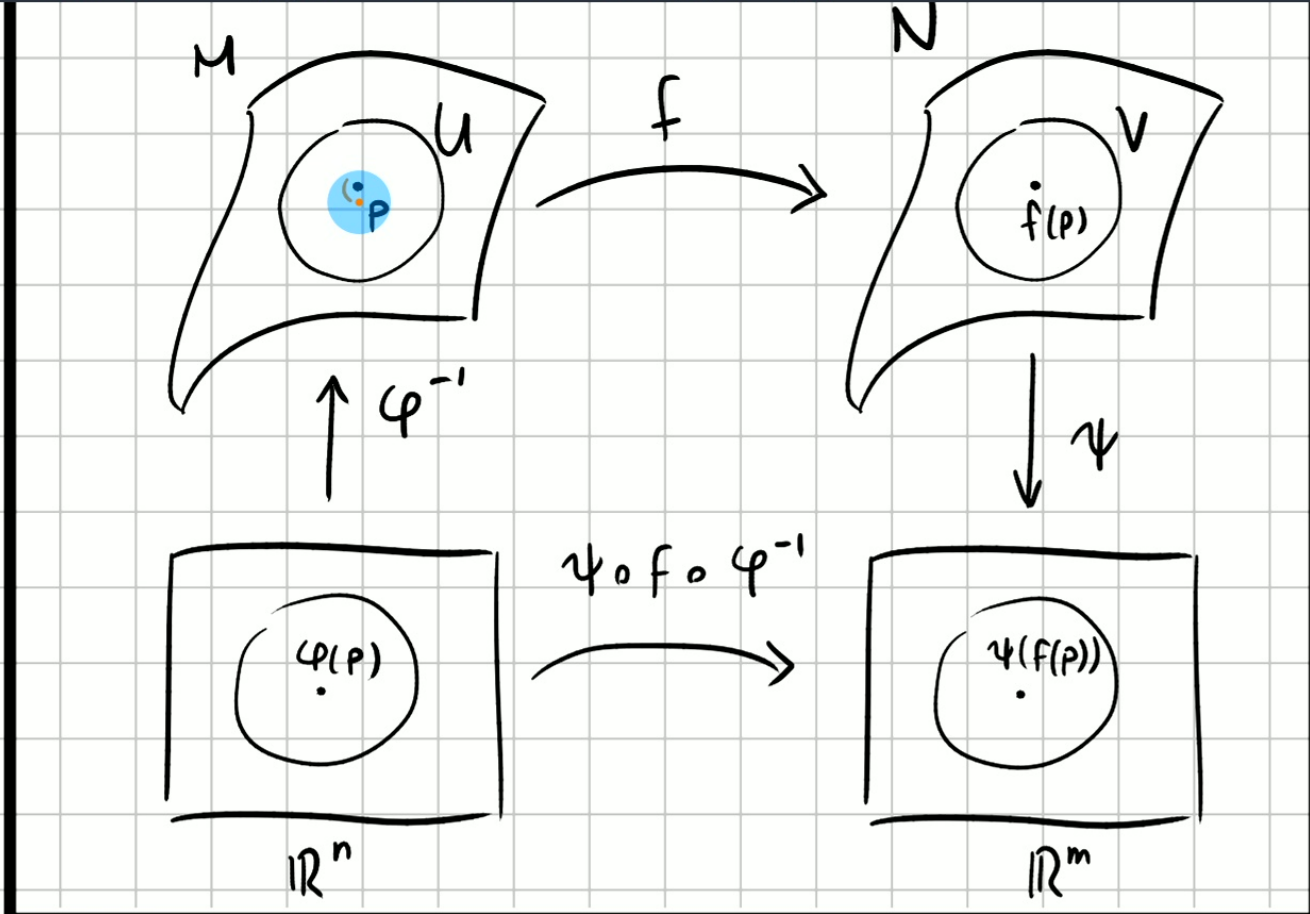


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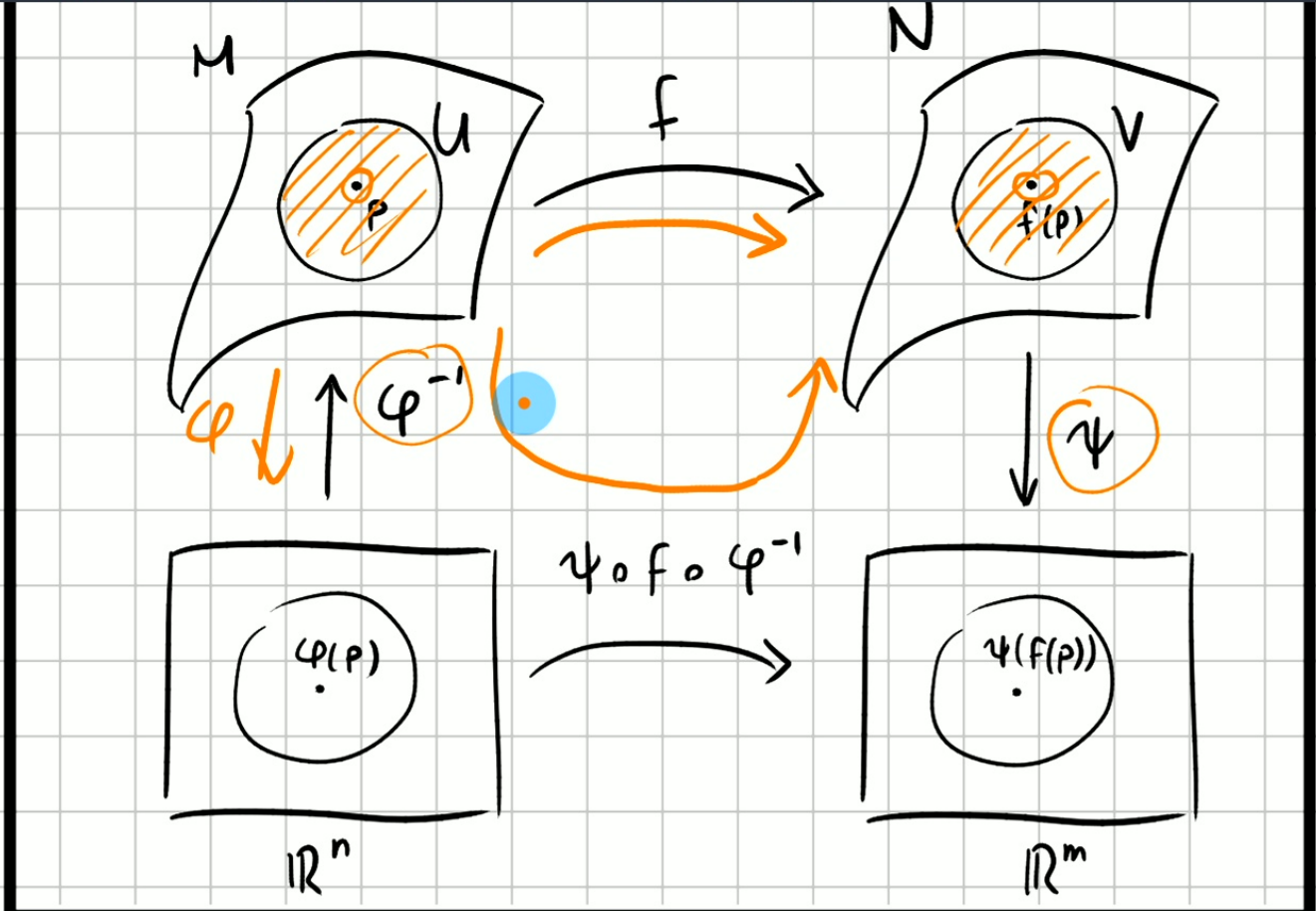


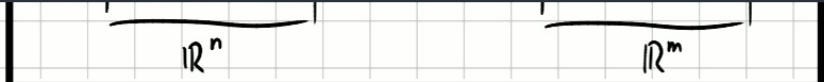
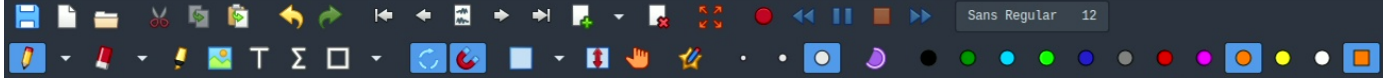
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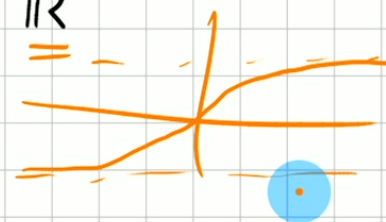
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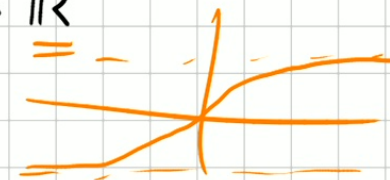


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Def The natural projection of  $TM$  on  $M$  is

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# Co-tangent bundle

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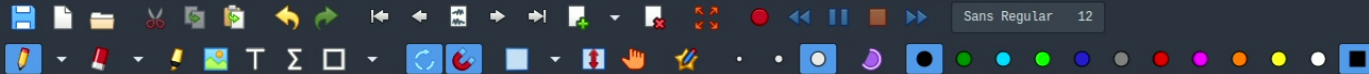
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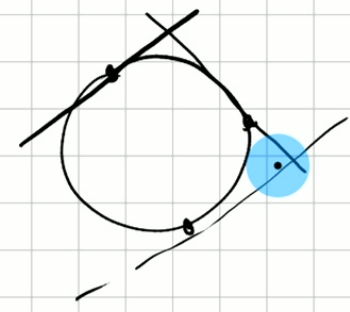


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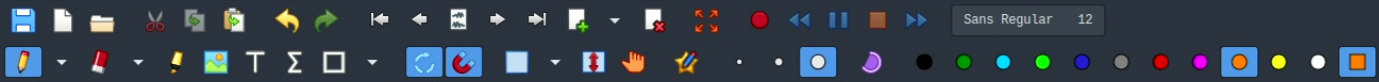
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