

REVIEW OF LAST LECTURE

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Fix $m, n \geq 1$.

$c, C, C' \dots = \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{CONST'S DEPENDING} \\ \text{ONLY on } m, n \end{array} \right)$

$X \sim Y$ means

$$cX \cong Y \cong CX$$

GIVEN m, n, E, f, σ

$E \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ finite ($\#E = N$)

$$f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$\sigma: E \rightarrow [0, \infty)$$

WANT TO COMPUTE $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} F \in C^m(\mathbb{R}^n) \\ M > 0 \end{array} \right\}$

S.T.

- $\|F\| \leq M$
- $|F(x) - f(x)| \leq M \sigma(x)$ (all $x \in E$)

$$\|f\|_{(E, \sigma)} := \inf \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{all } M \text{ s.t. } \uparrow \\ \text{for some } F \end{array} \right\}$$

PROBLEMS:

- COMPUTE ORDER of MAG. of $\|f\|_{(E, \sigma)}$
- COMPUTE $F \in C^m(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $M > 0$, s.t.

$$\|F\| \leq M$$

$$|F(x) - f(x)| \leq M \sigma(x) \quad (\text{all } x \in E)$$

WITH $M \leq C \|f\|_{(E, \sigma)}$

$J_x(F) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (m-1)\text{st ORDER TAYLOR POLY.} \\ \text{OF } F \text{ at } x \end{array} \right.$

$\Gamma(x_0, M) = \text{SET OF ALL } J_{x_0}(F)$
for $F \in C^m(\mathbb{R}^n)$ s.t.

$$\|F\| \leq M, \text{ and}$$

$$|F(x) - f(x)| \leq M \sigma(x)$$

for all $x \in E$

PROBLEM :

Compute the approximate size

& shape of $\Gamma(x_0, M)$

for $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_0 \in E \\ \text{all } x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n \end{array} \right\}$

A **BLOB** IN A VECTOR SPACE V

is a family

$$\mathcal{K} = (K_M)_{M \geq 0}$$

of (possibly empty)

convex subsets of V , s.t.

$$M \leq M' \implies K_M \subseteq K_{M'}$$

Two BLOBS

$$\mathcal{K} = (K_M)_{M>0} \quad \& \quad \mathcal{K}' = (K'_M)_{M>0}$$

are

C-EQUIVALENT

if & only if

$$K_M \subseteq K'_{CM} \quad \& \quad K'_M \subseteq K_{CM}$$

for all $M > 0$.

$$\Gamma(x_0) := (\Gamma(x_0, M))_{M \geq 0}$$

IS A BLOB IN THE
VECTOR SPACE

$$\mathcal{P} = \left[\begin{array}{l} (m-1) \text{ RST DEGREE \\ \text{POLYS ON } \mathbb{R}^n \end{array} \right]$$

PROBLEM:

COMPUTE $\Gamma(x_0)$ up to C -EQUIV.

RECALL $\Gamma(x_0, l, M) \subset \mathcal{P}$

• DEFINED FOR

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} x_0 \in E \\ l \geq 0 \text{ integer} \\ M > 0 \text{ real} \end{array} \right)$$

• DEFINED BY INDUCTION ON l

$l=0$ \Rightarrow

$\Gamma(x_0, 0, M) =$

SET OF ALL $P \in \mathcal{P}$ s.t.

$$|\partial^\alpha P(x_0)| \leq M \quad (\text{all } \alpha)$$

$$|P(x_0) - f(x_0)| \leq M \sigma(x_0)$$

INDUCTION STEP

- Fix $l \geq 0$.
- Assume $\Gamma(x_0, l, M)$ have been defined for all $x_0 \in E$, $M > 0$.
- Will define $\Gamma(x_0, l+1, M)$ for all $x_0 \in E$, $M > 0$.

$$\Gamma(x_0, l+1, M) =$$

SET OF ALL $P \in \mathcal{P}$ such that

$$\forall y_0 \in E \quad \exists P' \in \Gamma(y_0, l, M)$$

s.t.

$$|\partial^\alpha (P - P')(x_0)| \leq$$

$$M |x_0 - y_0|^{m - |\alpha|} \quad (\text{all } \alpha)$$

$$\Gamma(x_0, l) := (\Gamma(x_0, l, M))_{M \geq 0}$$

is a blob in \mathcal{P} .

TRIVIAL INDUCTION ON $l \Rightarrow$

$$\Gamma(x_0, M) \subseteq \Gamma(x_0, l, M)$$

(all $l \geq 0$).

MAIN THM : (1st Version)

For an integer const. l_* depending only on m & n , the blobs

$\Gamma(x_0, l_*)$ and $\Gamma(x_0)$

are C -equivalent,

for each $x_0 \in E$.

Roughly speaking,

- Proof of MAIN THM is constructive.

- Proofs of our other Thms. arise

from implementing proof of Main Thm

by efficient algorithms.

However, ...

- Need cheaper Γ 's
- Make strong use of ideas from
COMPUTER SCIENCE,
both to make the cheaper Γ 's,
& to implement **EFFICIENTLY**
the proof of the **MAIN THM.**

PLAN

- Define convex sets $\sigma(x_0, l) \subset P$
- State the basic properties of the Γ 's & σ 's
- Generalize Main Thm
- Sketch Proof of Main Thm
- Making cheap Γ 's & σ 's.

DEFINING $\sigma(x_0, l)$

Fix m, n .

RECALL: Given E, f, σ ,

obtain $\Gamma(x_0, M), \Gamma(x_0, l, M)$.

Now: Change f to 0 .

Obtain $\Gamma_0(x_0, M), \Gamma_0(x_0, l, M)$.

$\Gamma_0(x_0, M)$ consists of all $J_{x_0}(F)$

for $F \in C^m(\mathbb{R}^n)$ s.t.

$$\|F\| \leq M$$

$$|F(x)| \leq M \sigma(x) \text{ for all } x \in E.$$

Note: $\Gamma_0(x_0, M)$ has trivial
M-dependence !

$$\Gamma_0(x_0, M) = M \cdot \underline{\sigma}(x_0)$$

for a convex symmetric set

$$\underline{\sigma}(x_0) \subset \mathcal{P}.$$

Similarly, $\Gamma_0(x_0, \ell, M)$ has trivial M -dependence:

$$\Gamma_0(x_0, \ell, M) = M \cdot \sigma(x_0, \ell)$$

for $\sigma(x_0, \ell) \subset \mathcal{P}$ convex, symmetric.

BASIC PROPERTIES

OF THE

Γ 's and σ 's

PROPERTY 0 :

$$\Gamma(x_0, M) \subset \Gamma(x_0, l, CM)$$

for any $l \geq 0$.

(Follows by a trivial induction on l .)

PROPERTY 1:

Given $x_0, y_0 \in E$, $P \in \Gamma(x_0, l, M)$

Then there exists $P' \in \Gamma(y_0, l-1, M)$

s.t.

$$|\partial^\alpha (P - P')(x_0)| \leq M |x_0 - y_0|^{m-|\alpha|}$$

(all α)

Similarly for the $\sigma(x_0, l)$.

PROPERTY 2 :

- $\Gamma(x_0, l, M) + M\sigma(x_0, l)$
 $\subseteq \Gamma(x_0, l, CM)$

- $\Gamma(x_0, l, M) - \Gamma(x_0, l, M)$
 $\subseteq CM\sigma(x_0, l)$

$$\Gamma(x_0, M) + M \underline{\sigma}(x_0) \subseteq \Gamma(x_0, CM)$$

because

$$\|F\| \leq M, \quad |F(x) - f(x)| \leq M \sigma(x) \quad (\text{all } x \in E)$$

$$\|G\| \leq 1, \quad |G(x)| \leq \sigma(x) \quad (\text{all } x \in E)$$



$$\|F + MG\| \leq 2M, \quad \&$$
$$|(F + MG)(x) - f(x)| \leq 2M \sigma(x) \quad (\text{all } x \in E)$$

Similarly,

$$\Gamma(x_0, M) - \Gamma(x_0, M) \subseteq 2M \underline{\sigma}(x_0).$$

Analogous properties of

$\Gamma(x_0, l, M)$ and $\sigma(x_0, l)$

follow from trivial induction
on l .

PROPERTY 3:

Given $P \in \mathcal{O}(x_0, \ell)$, $Q \in \mathcal{P}$, $\delta > 0$.

Assume

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} |\partial^\alpha P(x_0)| \leq \delta^{m-|\alpha|} \\ |\partial^\alpha Q(x_0)| \leq \delta^{-|\alpha|} \end{array} \right\} \text{ (all } \alpha \text{)}$$

Then $P \circ Q \in \mathcal{O}(x_0, \ell)$

(PRODUCT AS TAYLOR POLY'S AT x_0)

- "Whitney convexity" of $\sigma(x_0, l)$
- Lets us use partitions of unity at any lengthscale δ .
- Proven by an (almost) trivial induction on l .

PROPERTY 4 :

$$\Gamma(x_0, 0, M) =$$

$$\left\{ P \in \mathcal{P} : \begin{aligned} &|\partial^\alpha P(x_0)| \leq M \text{ (all } \alpha) \\ &\& \quad |P(x_0) - f(x_0)| \leq M\sigma(x_0) \end{aligned} \right\}$$

& SIMILARLY FOR $\sigma(x_0, 0)$.

By CLEVER USE OF THE

"WELL-SEPARATED
PAIRS DECOMPOSITION"

from COMPUTER SCIENCE,

can construct cheaply OTHER

$\Gamma(x_0, l), \sigma(x_0, l)$ satisfying

PROPERTIES 0, 1, 2, 3, 4.

MAIN THM (2ND VERSION):

Suppose we are given blobs $\Gamma(x_0, l)$ and convex sets $\sigma(x_0, l)$, for $x_0 \in E$, $l \geq 0$.

Assume the Γ 's & σ 's satisfy

PROPERTIES 0, 1, 2, 3, 4.

Then, for large enough l_* , dep. only on m & n , the blobs

$\Gamma(x_0, l_*)$ and $\Gamma(x_0)$ are

C-EQUIVALENT (all $x_0 \in E$).

Proof of the MAIN THM is constructive.

All our results follow by implementing proof of the MAIN THM as an algorithm.

To get efficient algorithms,
use ideas from Computer Science
(WELL-SEPARATED PAIRS DECOMP.
+
BALANCED BOX DECOMP. TREE)

WSPD due to
Callahan & Kosaraju

BBD Tree due to
Arya, Mount, Netanyahu,
Silverman & Wu

See also

HAR-PELED
&
MENDEL

PLAN OF THE PROOF

OF THE

MAIN THM

(MORE OR LESS ACCURATE)

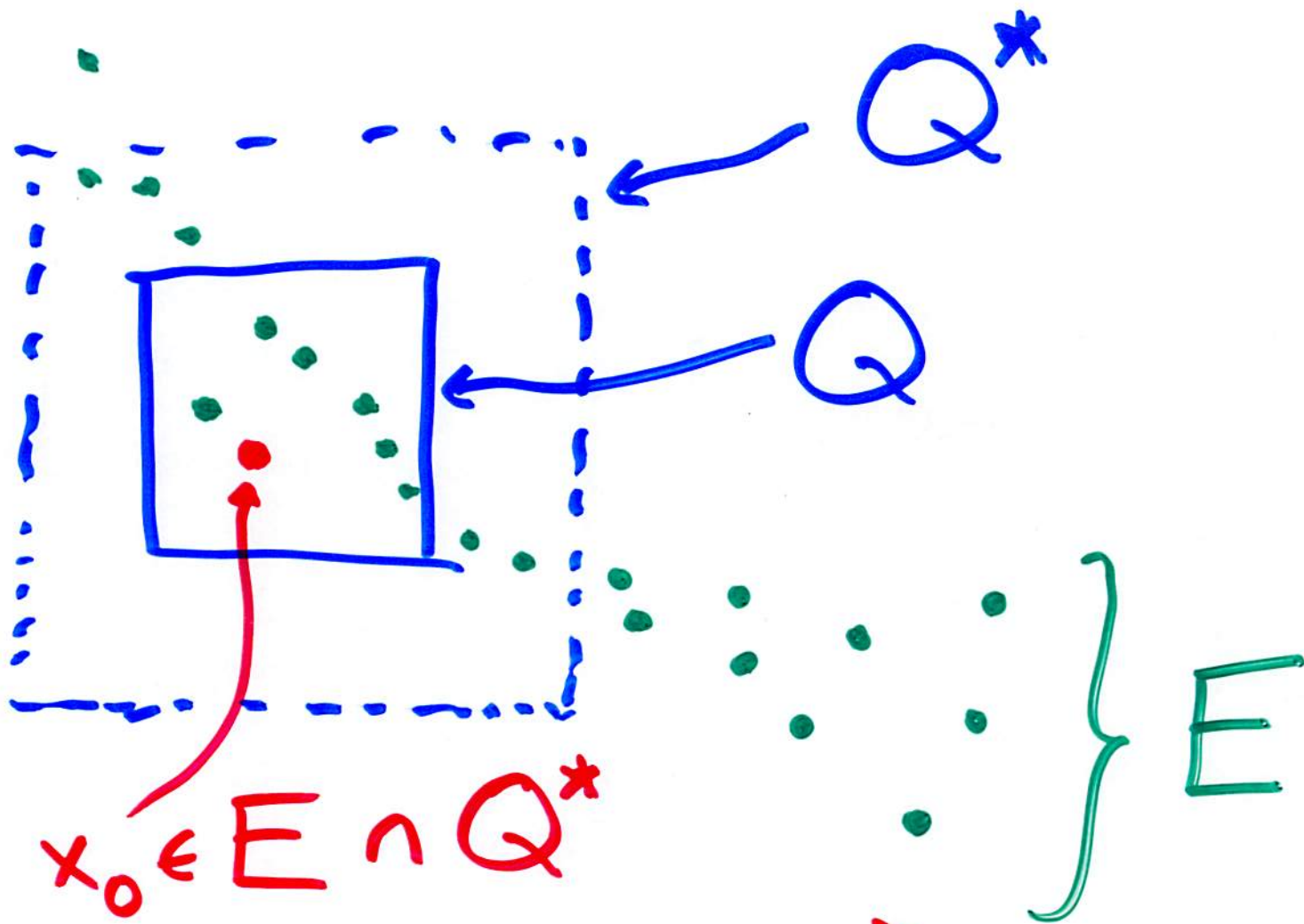
"OUR
PROBLEM"

Given m, n, E, f, σ .

Given $\left[\begin{array}{l} Q \subset \mathbb{R}^n \text{ cube} \\ x_0 \in E \cap Q^* \\ P_0 \in T(x_0, l, M) \end{array} \right]$

PROBLEM: Find $F \in C^m(\mathbb{R}^n)$ s.t.

- $\|F\| \leq CM$
- $|F(x) - f(x)| \leq (M\sigma(x)) \forall x \in E \cap Q^*$
- $J_{x_0}(F) = P_0$



$$x_0 \in E \cap Q^*$$

$$P_0 \in \Gamma(x_0, l, M)$$

should be BLUE

PROVING THE MAIN THM
AMOUNTS TO SOLVING
THE ABOVE PROBLEM

FOR $m, n, E, f, \sigma, Q, x_0, P_0$

WITH $Q = \text{UNIT CUBE.}$

Fix m, n, E, f, σ .

For any $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, will attach
a "LABEL" to Q ,

to tell us how hard our
problem is.

- LABELS arise from looking at the size & shape of $\sigma(x, l)$ for $x \in E \cap Q^*$.
- LABELS are ordered.
If $A < B$, then a problem with label A is **EASIER** than a problem with label B .

- For the easiest label (minimal under $<$), our problem is trivial.

We can just set

$F = P_0$, & it works.

- Solving our problem for the HARDEST label

(MAXIMAL under $<$)

amounts to proving the

MAIN THM

in the general case.

- The total no. of LABELS is a constant depending only on m & n .
- WE SOLVE OUR PROBLEM BY INDUCTION ON THE LABEL (with resp. to \leftarrow)

BASE CASE OF THE INDUCTION

For the minimal label (under $<$),
we have already promised
that our problem is trivial,
because we can just use

$$F := P_0$$

INDUCTION STEP

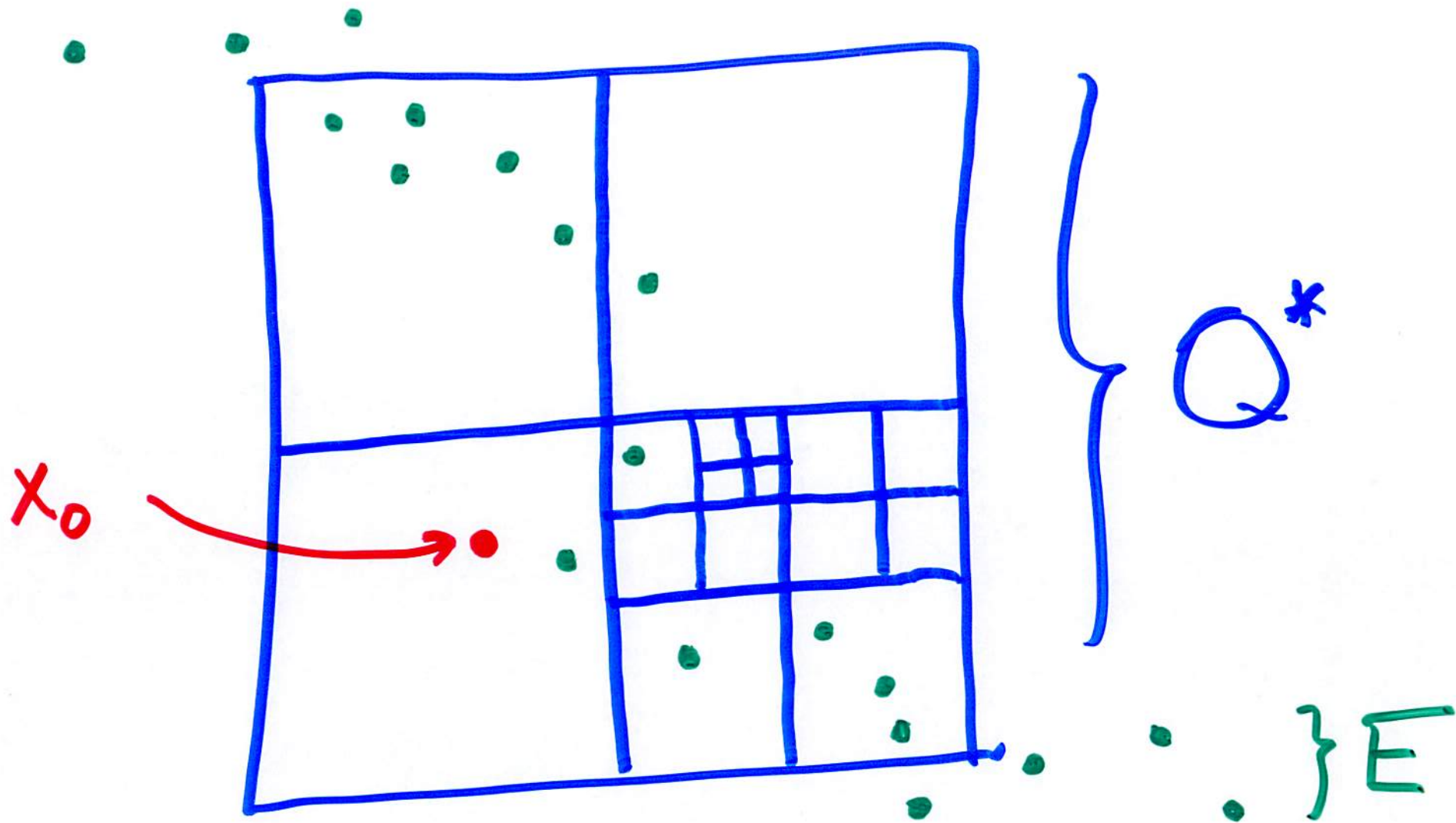
- Fix a label Q_0 (not the easiest)
- Suppose we know how to solve our problem whenever the label is easier than Q_0 (i.e., $< Q_0$).
- Will solve our problem whenever the label is Q_0 .

RECALL, WE ARE GIVEN

m, n, E, f, σ , and

- $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ cube
- $x_0 \in E \cap Q^*$
- $P_0 \in \Gamma(x_0, l, M)$

WE HAVE TO FIND $F \in C^m(\mathbb{R}^n)$
SUCH THAT



MAKE A C-Z DECOMP.
 OF Q^* INTO $\{Q_v\}$

THE C-Z RULE

Stop cutting Q_v
as soon as

EITHER

- Q_v carries a label easier than Q_0

OR

- $\#(E \cap Q_v^*) \leq 1.$

- In each Q_v we pick a

REPRESENTATIVE

$$x_v \in E \cap Q_v^*$$

(Ignore here the case

$$E \cap Q_v^* = \emptyset.)$$

• For each v , find

$$P_v \in \Gamma(x_v, l-1, CM)$$

s.t.

$$|D^\alpha (P_v - P_0)(x_v)| \leq$$

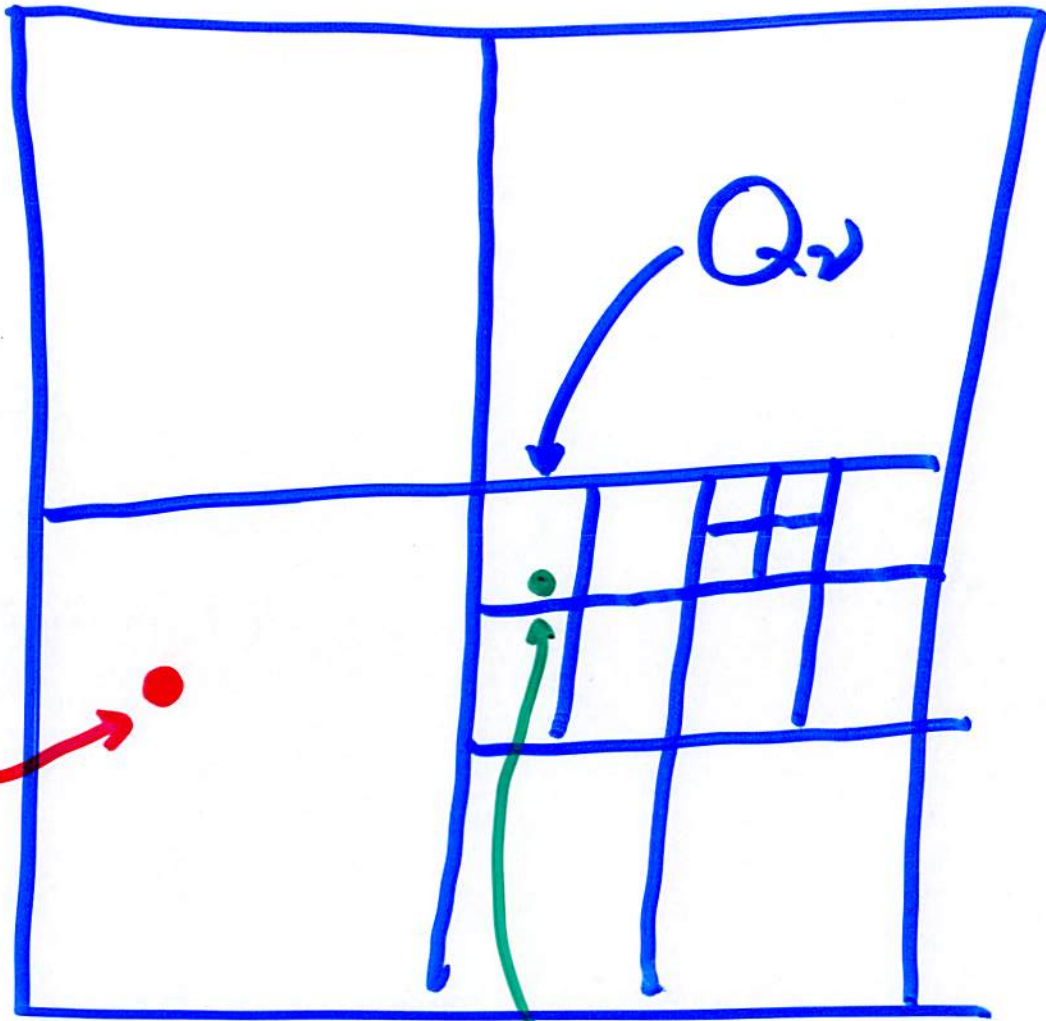
$$CM |x_0 - x_v|^{m-|\alpha|}$$

(all α).

(RECALL BASIC PROPS OF Γ 's.)

x_0
 P_0

Q^*



x_v
 P_v

Get F_v
from $x_v, P_v,$
 $Q_v.$

- For each ν , find $F_\nu \in C^m(\mathbb{R}^n)$
s.t.

$$\|F_\nu\| \leq CM$$

$$|F_\nu(x) - f(x)| \leq CM\sigma(x) \quad \forall x \in E \cap Q_\nu^*$$

$$J_{x_\nu}(F_\nu) = P_\nu.$$

We can do that, either because Q_ν^* carries a label easier than Q_0
or because $\#(E \cap Q_\nu^*) \leq 1$.

- COMBINE THE "LOCAL SOLUTIONS"

F_ν INTO A "GLOBAL SOLUTION"

$$F = \sum_{\nu} \theta_{\nu} F_{\nu}$$

USING A PARTITION OF UNITY

$$1 = \sum_{\nu} \theta_{\nu}$$

ADAPTED TO THE CZ DECOMP.

IT WORKS,

So we have solved "OUR PROB",
proven the MAIN THM,

& therefore also proven

Thms 1, 2, 3, 4

from previous lecture.

NO TIME FOR

- The balanced box decomp. tree
- Def. of the LABELS & their order
- Any more details of the proof.
- Generalizations & further results.

THERE MUST BE
AN EASIER
PROOF.
