

Real Analysis and Multivariable Calculus: Graduate Level
Problems and Solutions

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1 Countability

The number of elements in S is the **cardinality** of S .

S and T have the **same cardinality** ($S \simeq T$) if there exists a bijection $f : S \rightarrow T$.

card $S \leq$ card T if \exists **injective**¹ $f : S \rightarrow T$.

card $S \geq$ card T if \exists **surjective**² $f : S \rightarrow T$.

S is **countable** if S is finite, or $S \simeq \mathbb{N}$.

Theorem. $S, T \neq \emptyset$. \exists injection $f : S \hookrightarrow T \Leftrightarrow \exists$ surjection $g : T \rightarrow S$.

Theorem. \mathbb{Q} is countable.

Proof. Need to show that there is a bijection $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$.

Since $\mathbb{N} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$, card $\mathbb{N} \leq$ card \mathbb{Q} , and therefore, $\exists f$ that is *injective*.

To show card $\mathbb{N} \geq$ card \mathbb{Q} , construct the following map. The set of all rational numbers can be displayed in a grid with rows $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ and columns $j = 0, -1, 1, -2, 2, -3, 3, \dots$. Each a_{ij} , the ij 'th entry in a table, would be represented as $\frac{j}{i}$. Starting from a_{11} , and assigning it $n = 1$, move from each subsequent row diagonally left-down, updating n . This would give a map $g : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$, which will count all fractions, some of them more than once. Therefore, card $\mathbb{N} \geq$ card \mathbb{Q} , and so g is *surjective*. Thus, card $\mathbb{N} =$ card \mathbb{Q} , and \mathbb{Q} is countable. \square

Theorem. \mathbb{R} is **not** countable.

Proof. It is enough to prove that $[0, 1) \subset \mathbb{R}$ is not countable. Suppose that the set of all real numbers between 0 and 1 is countable. Then we can list the decimal representations of these numbers (use the infinite expansions) as follows:

$$a_1 = 0.a_{11}a_{12}a_{13} \dots a_{1n} \dots$$

$$a_2 = 0.a_{21}a_{22}a_{23} \dots a_{2n} \dots$$

$$a_3 = 0.a_{31}a_{32}a_{33} \dots a_{3n} \dots$$

and so on. We derive a contradiction by showing there is a number x between 0 and 1 that is not on the list. For each positive integer j , we will choose j th digit after the decimal to be different than a_{jj} :

$$x = 0.x_1x_2x_3 \dots x_n \dots, \text{ where } x_j = 1 \text{ if } a_{jj} \neq 1, \text{ and } x_j = 2 \text{ if } a_{jj} = 1.$$

For each integer j , x differs in the j th position from the j th number on the list, and therefore cannot be that number. Therefore, x cannot be on the list. This means the list as we chose is not a bijection, and so the set of all real numbers is uncountable.

(Need to worry about not allowing 9 tails in decimal expansion: $0.399\dots = 0.400\dots$). \square

¹**injective** = **1-1**: $f(s_1) = f(s_2) \Rightarrow s_1 = s_2$.

²**surjective** = **onto**: $\forall t \in T, \exists s \in S, \text{ s.t. } f(s) = t$.

Problem (F'01, #4). *The set of all sequences whose elements are the digits 0 and 1 is not countable.*

Let S be the set of all binary sequences. We want to show that there does not exist a one-to-one mapping from the set \mathbb{N} onto the set S .

Proof. 1) Let A be a countable subset of S , and let A consist of the sequences s_1, s_2, \dots . We construct the sequence s as follows. If the n th digit in s_n is 1, let the n th digit of s be 0, and vice versa. Then the sequence s differs from every member of A in at least one place; thus $s \notin A$. However, $s \in S$, so that A is a proper³ subset of S .

Thus, every countable subset of S is a proper subset of S , and therefore, S is not countable. \square

Proof. 2) Suppose there exists a $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow S$ that is injective. We can always exhibit an injective map $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow S$ by always picking a different sequence from the set of sequences that are already listed. (One way to do that is to choose a binary representation for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$).

Suppose $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow S$ is surjective. Then, all sequences in S could be listed as s_1, s_2, \dots . We construct the sequence s as follows. If the n th digit in s_n is 1, let the n th digit of s be 0, and vice versa. Then the sequence s differs from every member of the list. Therefore, s is not on the list, and our assumption about f being surjective is false. Thus, there does not exist $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow S$ surjective. \square

Theorem. $\text{card}(A) < \text{card}(P(A))^4$.

Proof. $\text{card}(A) \leq \text{card}(P(A))$, since A can be injectively mapped to the set of one-element sets of A , which is a subset of $P(A)$.

We need to show there is no onto map between A and $P(A)$. So we would like to find a thing in $P(A)$ which is not reached by f . In other words, we want to describe a subset of A which cannot be of the form $f(a)$ for any $a \in A$.

Suppose $|A| = |P(A)|$. Then there is a 1-1 correspondence $f : A \rightarrow P(A)$. We obtain a contradiction to the fact that f is onto by exhibiting a subset X of A such that $X \neq f(a)$ for any $a \in A$.

For every $a \in A$, either $a \in f(a)$, or $a \notin f(a)$. Let $X = \{a \in A : a \notin f(a)\}$.

Consider $a \in A$. If $a \in f(a)$, then $a \notin X$, so $f(a) \neq X$.

If $a \notin f(a)$, then $a \in X$, so $f(a) \neq X$. Therefore, $X \neq f(a), \forall a \in A$, a contradiction.

Therefore, $\text{card}(A) < \text{card}(P(A))$. \square

Theorem. *Suppose that $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is an increasing function. Show that f can have at most a countable number of discontinuities.*

Proof. Let $E = \{x \in [0, 1] : f \text{ is discontinuous at } x\}$. Given any $x \in E$, we know that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow x^-} f(t) < \lim_{t \rightarrow x^+} f(t)$$

and, using this fact, we choose $r(x) \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that $\lim_{t \rightarrow x^-} f(t) < r(x) < \lim_{t \rightarrow x^+} f(t)$.

\Rightarrow We have defined a 1 - 1 function $r : E \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$. \square

³ A is a **proper subset** of B if every element of A is an element of B , and there is an element of B which is not in A .

⁴**Power set** of a set S is the set whose elements are all possible subsets of S , i.e. $S = \{1, 2\}$, $P(S) = 2^S = \{\phi, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{1, 2\}\}$. $|P(A)| = 2^n$, if $|A| = n$.

2 Unions, Intersections, and Topology of Sets

Theorem. Let E_α be a collection of sets. Then

$$\left(\bigcup_{\alpha} E_{\alpha}\right)^c = \bigcap_{\alpha} (E_{\alpha}^c).$$

Proof. Let $A = (\bigcup E_{\alpha})^c$ and $B = (\bigcap E_{\alpha}^c)$. If $x \in A$, then $x \notin \bigcup E_{\alpha}$, hence $x \notin E_{\alpha}$ for any α , hence $x \in E_{\alpha}^c$ for every α , so that $x \in \bigcap E_{\alpha}^c$. Thus $A \subset B$.

Conversely, if $x \in B$, then $x \in E_{\alpha}^c$ for every α , hence $x \notin E_{\alpha}$ for any α , hence $x \notin \bigcup E_{\alpha}$, so that $x \in (\bigcup E_{\alpha})^c$. Thus $B \subset A$. \square

Theorem.

- a) For any collection G_{α} of open sets, $\bigcup_{\alpha} G_{\alpha}$ is open.
- b) For any collection F_{α} of closed sets, $\bigcap_{\alpha} F_{\alpha}$ is closed.
- c) For any finite collection G_1, \dots, G_n of open sets, $\bigcap_{i=1}^n G_i$ is open.
- d) For any finite collection F_1, \dots, F_n of closed sets, $\bigcup_{i=1}^n F_i$ is closed.

Proof. a) Put $G = \bigcup_{\alpha} G_{\alpha}$. If $x \in G$, then $x \in G_{\alpha}$ for some α . Since x is an interior point of G_{α} , x is also an interior point of G , and G is open.

b) By theorem above,

$$\left(\bigcup_{\alpha} F_{\alpha}\right)^c = \bigcap_{\alpha} (F_{\alpha}^c) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \left(\bigcap_{\alpha} F_{\alpha}\right)^c = \bigcup_{\alpha} (F_{\alpha}^c), \quad (2.1)$$

and F_{α}^c is open. Hence a) implies that the right equation of (2.1) is open so that $\bigcap_{\alpha} F_{\alpha}$ is closed.

c) Put $H = \bigcap_{i=1}^n G_i$. For any $x \in H$, there exists neighborhoods N_{r_i} of x , such that $N_{r_i} \subset G_i$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$). Put $r = \min(r_1, \dots, r_n)$. Then $N_r(x) \subset G_i$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$, so that $N_r(x) \subset H$, and H is open.

d) By taking complements, d) follows from c): $(\bigcup_{i=1}^n F_i)^c = \bigcap_{i=1}^n (F_i^c)$. \square

Theorem. $S \subset M \subseteq X$. S open relative to $M \Leftrightarrow \exists$ open $U \subset X$ such that $S = U \cap M$.

Proof. \Rightarrow S open relative to M . To each $x \in S$, $\exists r_x, |x - y| < r_x, y \in M \Rightarrow y \in S$. Define

$$U = \bigcup_{x \in S} N_{r_x}(x) \quad \Rightarrow \quad U \subset X \text{ open.}$$

It is clear that $S \subset U \cap M$. By our choice of $N_{r_x}(x)$, we have $N_{r_x}(x) \cap M \subset S, \forall x \in S$ so that $U \cap M \subset S \Rightarrow S = U \cap M$.

\Leftarrow If U is open in X and $S = U \cap M$, every $x \in S$ has a neighborhood $N_{r_x}(x) \subset U$. Then $N_{r_x}(x) \cap M \subset S$ so that S is open relative to M . \square

Theorem. $K \subset Y \subset X$. K compact relative to $X \Leftrightarrow K$ compact relative to Y .

Proof. \Rightarrow Suppose K is compact relative to X , and let $\{V_\alpha\}$ be a collection of sets, open relative to Y , such that $K \subset \bigcup_\alpha V_\alpha$. By the above theorem, $\exists U_\alpha$ open relative to X , such that $V_\alpha = Y \cap U_\alpha, \forall \alpha$; and since K is compact relative to X , we have

$$K \subset U_{\alpha_1} \bigcup \cdots \bigcup U_{\alpha_n} \quad \odot$$

$$\text{Since } K \subset Y \Rightarrow K \subset V_{\alpha_1} \bigcup \cdots \bigcup V_{\alpha_n}. \quad \otimes$$

\Leftarrow Suppose K is compact relative to Y . Let $\{U_\alpha\}$ be a collection of open subsets of X which covers K , and put $V_\alpha = Y \cap U_\alpha$. Then \otimes will hold for some choice of $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$; and since $V_\alpha \subset U_\alpha$, \otimes implies \odot . \square

Theorem. Compact subsets of metric spaces are closed.

Proof. Let $K \subset X$ be a compact subset. We prove K^c is open.

Suppose $x \in X, x \notin K$. If $y \in K$, let V_y and W_y be neighborhoods of x and y , respectively, of radius less than $\frac{1}{2}d(x, y)$. Since K is compact, $K \subset W_{y_1} \bigcup \cdots \bigcup W_{y_n} = W$.

If $V = V_{y_1} \cap \cdots \cap V_{y_n}$, then V is a neighborhood of x which does not intersect W . Hence $V \subset K^c$, so that x is an interior point of K^c . \square

Theorem. Closed subsets of compact sets are compact.

Proof. Suppose $F \subset K \subset X$, F is closed (relative to X), and K is compact. Let $\{V_\alpha\}$ be an open cover of F . If F^c is adjoined to $\{V_\alpha\}$, we obtain an open cover Ω of K . Since K is compact, there is finite subcollection Φ of Ω which covers K , and hence F . If F^c is a member of Φ , we may remove it from Φ and still retain an open cover of F . We have thus shown that a finite subcollection of $\{V_\alpha\}$ covers F . \square

Corollary. If F is closed and K is compact, then $F \cap K$ is compact.

Proof. K is closed (by a theorem above), and thus $F \cap K$ is closed. Since $F \cap K \subset K$, the above theorem shows that $F \cap K$ is compact. \square

Theorem. If $\{K_\alpha\}$ is a collection of compact subsets of a metric space X such that the intersection of every finite subcollection of $\{K_\alpha\}$ is nonempty, then $\bigcap K_\alpha$ is nonempty.

Proof. Fix a member K_1 of $\{K_\alpha\}$. Assume that no point of K_1 belongs to every K_α . Then the sets K_α^c form an open cover of K_1 ; and since K_1 is compact, $K_1 \subset K_{\alpha_1}^c \bigcup \cdots \bigcup K_{\alpha_n}^c$. But this means that $K_1 \cap K_{\alpha_1} \cap \cdots \cap K_{\alpha_n}$ is empty. \Rightarrow contradiction. \square

3 Sequences and Series

A sequence $\{p_n\}$ **converges** to $p \in X$ if:

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N: \forall n \geq N |p_n - p| < \epsilon \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n = p.$$

A sequence $\{p_n\}$ is **Cauchy** if:

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N: \forall n, m \geq N |p_n - p_m| < \epsilon.$$

Cauchy criterion: A sequence converges in $\mathbb{R}^k \Leftrightarrow$ it is a Cauchy sequence.

Cauchy criterion: $\sum a_n$ converges $\Leftrightarrow \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N: |\sum_{k=n}^m a_k| \leq \epsilon$ if $m \geq n \geq N$.

The series $\sum a_n$ is said to **converge absolutely** if $\sum |a_n|$ converges.

Problem (S'03, #2). If a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots is a sequence of real numbers with $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |a_j| < \infty$, then $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^N a_j$ exists. ($\sum a_n$ converges absolutely $\Rightarrow \sum a_n$ converges).

Proof. If $s_n = \sum_{j=1}^n a_j$ is a partial sum, then for $m \leq n$ we have

$$|s_n - s_m| = \left| \sum_{j=1}^n a_j - \sum_{j=1}^m a_j \right| = \left| \sum_{j=m}^n a_j \right| \leq \sum_{j=m}^n |a_j|$$

Since $\sum |a_j|$ converges, given $\epsilon > 0, \exists N$, s.t. $m, n \geq N$ ($m \leq n$), then $\sum_{j=m}^n |a_j| < \epsilon$. Thus $\{s_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in \mathbb{R} , and converges. $\Rightarrow \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^N a_j$ exists. \square

Problem (F'01, #2). Let \mathbb{N} denote the positive integers, let $a_n = (-1)^n \frac{1}{n}$, and let α be any real number. Prove there is a one-to-one and onto mapping $\sigma: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{\sigma(n)} = \alpha.$$

Proof. $a_n = (-1)^n \frac{1}{n} \Rightarrow a_1 = -1, a_2 = \frac{1}{2}, a_3 = -\frac{1}{3}, a_4 = \frac{1}{4}, \dots$

$a_{2n} > 0, a_{2n-1} < 0, n = 1, 2, \dots$

$\sum(\text{positive terms}) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{2n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$ diverges, and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2n} = 0$.

$\sum(\text{negative terms}) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{2n-1} = -\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n-1}$ diverges by comparison with $-\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n}$, and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2n-1} = 0$.

Claim: $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, there is a one-to-one and onto mapping $\sigma: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ such that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{\sigma(n)} = \alpha$, where $\sigma(n)$ is the rearrangement of indices of the original series.

Given α , choose positive terms in sequential order until their sum exceeds α . At this switch point, choose negative terms until their sum is less than α . Repeat the process.

Note: This process never stops because no matter how many positive and negative terms are taken, there are still infinitely many both positive and negative terms left; the sum of positive terms is ∞ , the sum of negative terms is $-\infty$.

Let the sum of terms at the N th step be denoted by $S_N, S_N = \sum_{n=1}^N a_{\sigma(n)}$. At switch point, $|\alpha - S_N|$ is bounded by the size of the term added:

$$|\alpha - S_N| \rightarrow 0, \quad N \rightarrow \infty$$

All terms $\{a_n\}$ will eventually be added to the sum ($\sigma: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is *surjective* (onto)) at different steps ($\sigma: \mathbb{N} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is *injective* (1-1)). $[\sigma: \{1, 2, 3, \dots\} \rightarrow \{n_1, n_2, n_3, \dots\}]$. \square

Root Test. Given $\sum a_n$, put $\alpha = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{|a_n|}$. Then

- a) if $\alpha < 1$, $\sum a_n$ converges;
- b) if $\alpha > 1$, $\sum a_n$ diverges;
- c) if $\alpha = 1$, the test gives no information.

Ratio Test. The series $\sum a_n$

- a) converges if $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| < 1$,
- b) diverges if $\left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| \geq 1$ for all $n \geq n_0$, where n_0 is some fixed integer.

Alternating Series. Suppose

- (a) $|a_1| \geq |a_2| \geq \dots$;
- (b) $a_{2m-1} \geq 0$, $a_{2m} \leq 0$, $m = 1, 2, 3, \dots$;
- (c) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$.

Then $\sum a_n$ converges.

Geometric Series. $|x| < 1$:

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k = \frac{1}{1-x}.$$

$$\text{Proof : } \quad S_n = 1 + x + x^2 + \dots + x^n \quad \textcircled{*}$$

$$xS_n = x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots + x^{n+1} \quad \textcircled{\odot}$$

$$\textcircled{*} - \textcircled{\odot} = (1-x)S_n = 1 - x^{n+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow S_n = \sum_{k=0}^n x^k = \frac{1 - x^{n+1}}{1 - x}$$

Problem (F'02, #4). *By integrating the series*

$$\frac{1}{1+x^2} = 1 - x^2 + x^4 - x^6 + x^8 \dots$$

prove that
$$\frac{\pi}{4} = 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{9} \dots$$

Justify carefully all the steps (especially taking the limit as $x \rightarrow 1$ from below).

Proof. Geometric Series:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{1+x^2} &= 1 - x^2 + x^4 - x^6 + x^8 \dots; \quad |x| < 1. \\ \int \frac{dx}{1+x^2} &= \tan^{-1}(x) = x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{x^7}{7} + \frac{x^9}{9} \dots \\ \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{1+x^2} &= [\tan^{-1}(x)]_0^1 = \tan^{-1} 1 - \tan^{-1} 0 = \frac{\pi}{4} - 0 = \frac{\pi}{4}. \\ \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{1+x^2} &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_0^{1-\epsilon} \frac{dx}{1+x^2} \\ \int_0^{1-\epsilon} \frac{dx}{1+x^2} &= \int_0^{1-\epsilon} \underbrace{[1 - x^2 + x^4 - \dots]}_S dx = \lim \int_0^{1-\epsilon} S_N(x) dx \\ &\quad \text{converges uniformly for } |x| \leq 1-\epsilon \\ \|f_n - f\|_\infty \rightarrow 0 &\Rightarrow \int_a^b f_n(x) dx \rightarrow \int_a^b f(x) dx \\ \left| \int_a^b f(x) dx - \int_a^b f_n(x) dx \right| &\leq \int_a^b |f(x) - f_n(x)| dx \leq \int_a^b \|f - f_n\|_\infty dx = (b-a) \|f - f_n\|_\infty. \\ S \text{ is a uniform limit of } S_N &= \sum_{n=1}^N (-1)^n x^{2n}. \\ |S(x) - S_N(x)| &= \left| \sum_{N+1}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^{2n} \right|, \forall x \in [0, 1-\epsilon] \leq \sum_{N+1}^{\infty} |x|^{2n} \leq \sum_{N+1}^{\infty} (1-\epsilon)^{2n} = \frac{(1-\epsilon)^{2(N+1)}}{(1-\epsilon)^2} \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

Above calculations show $\tan^{-1} x = \sum \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{2n+1}$, $|x| < 1$.

Alternating series test \Rightarrow right side converges.

$$\frac{\pi}{4} = \sum \frac{(-1)^n}{2n+1} = 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{9} \dots$$

□

Logarithm. $|x| < 1$:

$$\frac{1}{1+x} = 1 - x + x^2 - x^3 + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^n$$

$$\log(1+x) = \int_0^x \frac{dt}{1+t} = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{x^n}{n}$$

$\log(1+x)$ is **not** valid for $|x| > 1$, or $x < -1$. Claim: If $x = 1$, the series converges to $\log 2$. Proof: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{x^n}{n}$ is uniformly convergent for $x \in [0, 1]$, since the sum of any number of consecutive terms starting with the n^{th} has absolute value at most $\frac{x^n}{n} \leq \frac{1}{n}$, since for $0 < x < 1$ we have alternating series.

Binomial Series. $|x| < 1$:

$$(1+x)^\alpha = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)\cdots(\alpha-n+1)}{n!} x^n = 1 + \alpha x + \binom{\alpha}{2} x^2 + \dots + \binom{\alpha}{n} x^n + \dots$$

$$= 1 + \alpha x + \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)}{2!} x^2 + \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)(\alpha-2)}{3!} x^3 + \dots$$

Problem (F'03, #3). The sequence a_1, a_2, \dots with $a_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n$ converges as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Proof. By Binomial Series Theorem with $\alpha = n$, $x = \frac{1}{n}$, we get:

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n = 1 + n \cdot \frac{1}{n} + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!} \cdot \frac{1}{n^2} + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{3!} \cdot \frac{1}{n^3} + \dots + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)\cdots 1}{n!} \cdot \frac{1}{n^n}$$

$$\leq 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \dots + \frac{1}{n!} = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{1}{k!} \rightarrow e, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

□

4 Notes

4.1 Least Upper Bound Property

An ordered set S is said to have the **least upper bound⁵ property** if:

$E \subset S$, E is not empty, and E is bounded above, then $\sup E$ exists in S .

Completeness axiom: If E is a nonempty subset of \mathbb{R} that is bounded above, then E has a least upper bound.

Problem (F'02, #2). Show why the Least Upper Bound Property (every set bounded above has a least upper bound) implies the Cauchy Completeness Property (every Cauchy sequence has a limit) of the **real numbers**.

Proof. Suppose $\{x_n\}$ Cauchy. The problem is to show that $\{x_n\}$ converges.

We first show that $\{x_n\}$ is bounded. Fix $\epsilon > 0$ and let N be such that $|x_n - x_m| < \epsilon$ if $n, m > N$. Then for any fixed $n > N$, the entire sequence is contained in the closed ball of center x_n and radius $\max\{d(x_n, x_1), d(x_n, x_2), \dots, d(x_n, x_N), \epsilon\}$. Thus $\{x_n\}$ is bounded.

Define $z_n = \sup\{x_k\}_{k \geq n}$. Since $\{x_n\}$ is bounded, each z_n is a finite real number and is bounded above in absolute value by M . If $m > n$, then z_m is obtained by taking the sup of a smaller set than is z_n ; hence $\{z_n\}$ is decreasing. By the greatest lower bound property, $Z = \{z_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ has an infimum. Let $x = \inf Z$. We *claim* that $x_n \rightarrow x$.⁶

For each $\epsilon > 0$ there is a corresponding integer N such that $x \leq z_N \leq x + \epsilon$. Since $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy, by taking a larger N if necessary, we know that $k \geq N \Rightarrow x_k \in [x_N - \epsilon, x_N + \epsilon]$.

It follows that $z_N \in [x_N - \epsilon, x_N + \epsilon]$. Hence for $k \geq N$,

$$|x_k - x| \leq |x_k - x_N| + |x_N - z_N| + |z_N - x| \leq \epsilon + \epsilon + \epsilon = 3\epsilon. \quad \square$$

⁵least upper bound of $E \equiv \sup E$.

⁶*Idea:* Since $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy, the terms of this sequence would approach one another. $\{z_n\}$ also approaches $\{x_n\}$. Since $z_n \rightarrow x$, $\{z_n\}$ approaches x . It follows that $\{x_n\}$ approaches x .

5 Completeness

A metric space X is **complete** if every Cauchy sequence of elements of X converges to an element of X .

Lemma. *A convergent sequence is a Cauchy sequence.*

Proof. $x_n \rightarrow x$ means $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N$, such that $\forall n \geq N, |x - x_n| < \epsilon$. Hence

$$|x_n - x_m| \leq |x_n - x| + |x - x_m| \leq 2\epsilon$$

when $n, m \geq N$. Thus, x_n is a Cauchy sequence. \square

Lemma. *If x_n is Cauchy, then x_n is bounded.*

Proof. If the sequence is x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots , $\epsilon > 0$ and N is such that $|x_n - x_m| < \epsilon$ if $n, m > N$, then for any fixed $m > N$, the entire sequence is contained in the closed ball of center x_m and radius $\max\{d(x_m, x_1), d(x_m, x_2), \dots, d(x_m, x_N), \epsilon\}$. \square

Lemma. *If x_n is Cauchy and $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x$, then $x_n \rightarrow x$.*

Proof. Let $\epsilon > 0$. Since x_n is Cauchy \Rightarrow choose $k > 0$ so large that $|x_n - x_m| < \epsilon$ whenever $n, m \geq k$. Since $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x \Rightarrow$ choose $l > 0$ so large (i.e. n_l large) that $|x_{n_j} - x| < \epsilon$ whenever $j \geq l$. Set $N = \max(k, n_l)$. If $m, n_j > N$, then

$$|x_m - x| \leq |x_m - x_{n_j}| + |x_{n_j} - x| < \epsilon + \epsilon = 2\epsilon. \quad \square$$

Theorem. $[a, b]$ is complete.

Proof. Let x_n be a Cauchy sequence in $[a, b]$. Let x_{n_k} be a monotone subsequence. Since $a \leq x_{n_k} \leq b$, x_{n_k} converges (by the Least Upper Bound). $\Rightarrow x_{n_k} \rightarrow c$. Since $[a, b]$ is closed, $c \in [a, b]$. \Rightarrow Any x_n that is Cauchy in $[a, b]$, converges in $[a, b]$. $\Rightarrow [a, b]$ is complete. \square

The above theorem is a specific case of the following Lemma:

Theorem. *Let x_n be a Cauchy sequence in a compact metric space X . Then x_n converges to some point of X .*

Proof. Since X is (sequentially) compact, then for any sequence $x_n \in X$, there is a subsequence $x_{n_k} \rightarrow c$, $c \in X$. Using the above theorem (x_n Cauchy and $x_{n_k} \rightarrow c \Rightarrow x_n \rightarrow c$), we see that $x_n \rightarrow c \in X$. \square

Theorem. \mathbb{R} is complete.

Proof. Let x_n be a Cauchy sequence in \mathbb{R} . x_n is bounded (by the Lemma above). $\Rightarrow \{x_n\} \subseteq [a, b]$, and see above. \square

A direct consequence of the above theorem is the following: In \mathbb{R}^k , every Cauchy sequence converges.

Theorem. $[0, 1)$ is **not** complete.

Bolzano-Weierstrass. Every **bounded**, infinite subset $S \subset \mathbb{R}$ has a limit point.

Proof. If I_0 is a closed interval containing S , denote by I_1 one of the closed half-intervals of I_0 that contains infinitely many points of S . Continuing in this way, we define a nested sequence of intervals $\{I_n\}$, each of which contains infinitely many points of S . If $c = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n$, then it is clear that c is a limit point of S . \square

Lemma. Every **bounded** sequence of \mathbb{R} has a convergent subsequence.

Proof. If a sequence x_n contains only finitely many distinct points, the conclusion is trivial and obvious. Otherwise we are dealing with a bounded infinite set, to which the Bolzano-Weierstrass theorem applies, giving us a limit point x . If, for each integer $k \geq 1$, x_{n_k} is a point of the sequence such that $|x_{n_k} - x| \leq 1/k$, then it is clear that x_{n_k} is a convergent subsequence. \square

Theorem. A closed subspace Y of a complete metric space X is complete.

Proof. Let y_n be a Cauchy sequence in Y . Then y_n is also a Cauchy sequence in X . Since X is complete, $\exists x \in X$ such that $y_n \rightarrow x$ in X . Since Y is closed, $x \in Y$. Consequently, $y_n \rightarrow x$ in Y . \square

Theorem. A complete subspace Y of a metric space X is closed in X .

Proof. Suppose $x \in X$ is a limit point of Y . $\exists y_n$ in Y that converges to x . y_n is a Cauchy sequence in X ; hence it is also a Cauchy sequence in Y . Since Y is complete, $y_n \rightarrow y \in Y$. Since limits of sequences are unique, $y = x$ and x belongs to Y . Hence Y is closed. \square

Theorem. V is a normed space. If we have the following implication

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|v_n\| < \infty \quad \Rightarrow \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n < \infty,$$

then V is complete (V is a Banach space).

Proof. Say v_n is Cauchy. Choose n_k such that $m, n \geq n_k \Rightarrow \|v_m - v_n\| < 2^{-k}$. We may assume that $n_1 < n_2 < \dots$

$\|v_{n_{k+1}} - v_{n_k}\| < 2^{-k} \Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|v_{n_{k+1}} - v_{n_k}\| < \infty$. It follows that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (v_{n_{k+1}} - v_{n_k}) < \infty$.

$$s \leftarrow s_K = \sum_{k=1}^K (v_{n_{k+1}} - v_{n_k}) = v_{n_{K+1}} - v_{n_1} \quad \Rightarrow \quad v_{n_{k+1}} \text{ converges} \quad \Rightarrow \quad v_n \text{ converges.}$$

\square

6 Compactness

M is **(sequentially) compact** if for any sequence $x_n \in M$, there is a subsequence $x_{n_k} \rightarrow c$, $c \in M$.

M is **(topologically) compact** if any open cover of M , $M \subseteq \bigcup G_\alpha$, G_α open, contains a finite subcover.

Problem (W'02, #2). $[a, b]$ is **compact**.

Proof. Let x_n be a sequence in $[a, b]$. Let x_{n_k} be a monotone subsequence $\Rightarrow a \leq x_{n_k} \leq b \Rightarrow x_{n_k} \rightarrow c$. Since $[a, b]$ is closed, $c \in [a, b]$. $\Rightarrow [a, b]$ is (sequentially) compact. \square

Lemma. If M is compact, every open cover of M has a countable subcover.

Theorem. If M is **sequentially compact**, then it is **topologically compact**.

Proof. Say that $M \subseteq G_1 \cup G_2 \cup \dots$ has a countable subcover. Need to show that there is a finite subcover, i.e. $M \subseteq \bigcup_{k=1}^n G_k$ for some n .

Suppose that fails for every n ; then for every $n = 1, 2, \dots$, there would exist

$$x_n \in M \setminus \bigcup_{k=1}^n G_k.$$

That sequence would have a convergent subsequence $\{x_{n_k}\}$. Let x be its limit, $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x$. Then x would be contained in G_m for some m , and thus

$$x_{n_k} \in G_m$$

for all n_k sufficiently large, which is impossible for $n_k > m$ (since $x_{n_k} \in M \setminus G_1 \cup \dots \cup G_{n_k}$). We have reached a contradiction. So there must be a finite subcovering. \square

Problem (S'02, #3). If M is **topologically compact**, then it is **sequentially compact**.

Proof. Let $x_n \in M$ and E be the range of $\{x_n\}$. If E is *finite*, then there is $x \in E$ and a sequence $\{n_i\}$, with $n_1 < n_2 < \dots$, such that

$$x_{n_1} = x_{n_2} = \dots = x$$

The subsequence $\{x_{n_i}\}$ converges to x .

If E is *infinite*, E has a limit point x in M (as an infinite subset of a compact set). Every neighborhood of x contains infinitely many points of M . For each k , $B_{\frac{1}{k}}(x)$ contains infinitely many x_n 's. Select one and call it x_{n_k} , such that, $n_k > n_{k-1} > \dots$. We have a subsequence $\{x_{n_k}\}$ so that $d(x, x_{n_k}) < \frac{1}{k} \rightarrow 0$. $\Rightarrow x_{n_k} \rightarrow x$. \square

Problem (F'02, #1). Let K be a compact subset and F be a closed subset in the metric space X . Suppose $K \cap F = \emptyset$. Prove that

$$0 < \inf\{d(x, y) : x \in K, y \in F\}.$$

Proof. Given $x \in K, x \notin F$, $d_x = d(x, F) > 0$. Then, the ball centered at that x with radius $d_x/2$, i.e. $B_{\frac{d_x}{2}}(x)$, satisfies $B_{\frac{d_x}{2}}(x) \cap F = \emptyset$. Since x was taken arbitrary, this is true $\forall x \in K, x \notin F$.

$K \subset \bigcup_{x \in K} B_{\frac{d_x}{2}}(x)$. Since K is compact, $\exists x_1, \dots, x_n \in K$, $n < \infty$, such that $K \subset \bigcup_{k=1}^n B_{\frac{d_{x_k}}{2}}(x_k)$, and $B_{\frac{d_{x_k}}{2}}(x_k) \cap F = \emptyset$. Since $\min_k \{d_{x_k}\} > 0$, we have $0 < \inf\{d(x, y) : x \in K, y \in F\}$. \square

7 Continuity

Limits of Functions: $\lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x) = q$ if:

$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta$ such that $\forall x \in E \quad 0 < |x - p| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - q| < \epsilon$.

A function f is **continuous** at p : $\lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x) = f(p)$ if:

$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta$ such that $\forall x \in E \quad |x - p| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(p)| < \epsilon$.

Negation: f is **not** continuous at p if:

$\exists \epsilon > 0, \forall \delta$ such that $\exists x \in E \quad |x - p| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(p)| > \epsilon$.

f is **uniformly continuous** on X if:

$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta$ such that $\forall x, z \in X \quad |x - z| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(z)| < \epsilon$.

Negation: f is **not** uniformly continuous on X if:

$\exists \epsilon > 0, \forall \delta$ such that $\exists x, z \in X \quad |x - z| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(z)| > \epsilon$.

Examples: $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ on $(0, 1]$ and $f(x) = x^2$ on $[1, \infty)$ are **not** uniformly continuous.

Theorem. $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous $\Leftrightarrow f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X for every open set V in Y .

Proof. \Rightarrow Suppose f is continuous on X . Let V be an open set in Y . We have to show that every point of $f^{-1}(V)$ is an interior point of $f^{-1}(V)$. Let $x \in f^{-1}(V)$. Choose ϵ such that $B_\epsilon(f(x)) \subset V$. Since f is continuous⁸, $\exists \delta > 0$ such that $f(B_\delta(x)) \subset B_\epsilon(f(x)) \subset V$. Hence, $B_\delta(x) \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$. Since $f^{-1}(V)$ contains an open ball about each of its points, $f^{-1}(V)$ is open.

\Leftarrow Suppose $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X for every open set V in Y . Let $x \in X$ and let $\epsilon > 0$. Then $f^{-1}(B_\epsilon(f(x)))$ is open in X . Hence, $\exists \delta$ such that $B_\delta(x) \subset f^{-1}(B_\epsilon(f(x)))$. Applying f , we obtain $f(B_\delta(x)) \subset B_\epsilon(f(x))$, and so f is continuous. \square

Problem (S'02, #4; S'03, #1). A function $f : (0, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is the restriction to $(0, 1)$ of a continuous function $F : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \Leftrightarrow f$ is uniformly continuous on $(0, 1)$.

Proof. \Leftarrow We show that if $f : (0, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is uniformly continuous, then there is a continuous $F : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with $F(x) = f(x)$ for all $x \in (0, 1)$.

Let x_n be a sequence in $(0, 1)$ converging to 0. Since f is uniformly continuous, given $\epsilon > 0, \exists \delta$, s.t. $|x - y| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$. Therefore, we have

$$|f(x_n) - f(x_m)| < \epsilon$$

for n, m large enough. $f(x_n)$ is a Cauchy sequence, so it converges to some ξ . Define $F(0) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = \xi$. We want to show that this limit is well defined. Let y_n be another sequence, s.t. $y_n \rightarrow 0$, so $f(y_n)$ is Cauchy by the same argument. Since the sequence $(f(x_1), f(y_1), f(x_2), f(y_2), \dots)$ is Cauchy by still the same argument, and that there is a subsequence $f(x_n) \rightarrow \xi$, then the entire sequence converges to ξ . Thus, $F(0) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = \xi$ is well defined.

By the same set of arguments, $F(1) = \eta$. The function $F : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & \text{for } x \in (0, 1), \\ \xi & \text{for } x = 0, \\ \eta & \text{for } x = 1. \end{cases}$$

is the unique continuous extension of f to $[0, 1]$.

\Rightarrow $F : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous, and $[0, 1]$ is compact. Therefore, F is uniformly continuous on $[0, 1]$. Thus, $f = F|_{(0,1)} : (0, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is uniformly continuous. \square

⁷Gamelin, Green, p. 26; Edwards, p. 51.

⁸ f continuous at $x \Rightarrow \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta$ such that $z \in B_\delta(x) \Rightarrow f(z) \in B_\epsilon(f(x))$, or $f(B_\delta(x)) \subset B_\epsilon(f(x))$.

7.1 Continuity and Compactness

Theorem. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be continuous, where X is compact. Then $f(X)$ is compact.

Proof. 1) Let $\{V_\alpha\}$ be an open cover of $f(X)$, ($V_\alpha \subset Y$). Since f is continuous, $f^{-1}(V_\alpha)$ is open. Since X is compact, there are finitely many $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$, such that

$$X \subset f^{-1}(V_{\alpha_1}) \cup \dots \cup f^{-1}(V_{\alpha_n}).$$

Since $f(f^{-1}(E)) \subset E$ for every $E \subset Y$, then

$$f(X) \subset V_{\alpha_1} \cup \dots \cup V_{\alpha_n}.$$

$\Rightarrow f(X)$ is compact. □

Proof. 2) Let $\{y_n\}$ be a sequence in the image of f . Thus we can find $x_n \in X$, such that $y_n = f(x_n)$. Since X is compact the sequence $\{x_n\}$ has a convergent subsequence $\{x_{n_k}\}$ with limit $s \in X$. Since f is continuous,

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} y_{n_k} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f(x_{n_k}) = f(s)$$

Hence, the given sequence $\{y_n\}$ has a convergent subsequence which converges in $f(X)$.
 $\Rightarrow f(X)$ is compact. □

Problem (F'01, #1). Let $K \subset \mathbb{R}$ be compact and $f(x)$ continuous on K . Then f has a maximum on K (i.e. there exists $x_0 \in K$, such that $f(x) \leq f(x_0)$ for all $x \in K$).

Proof. By theorem above, the image $f(K)$ is closed and bounded. Let b be its least upper bound. Then b is adherent to $f(K)$. Since $f(K)$ is closed $\Rightarrow b \in f(K)$, that is $\exists x_0 \in K$, such that $b = f(x_0)$, and thus $f(x_0) \geq f(x)$, $\forall x \in K$. □

Theorem. Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous function. Then:

- 1) f is bounded;
- 2) f assumes its max and min values;
- 3) $f(a) < p < f(b) \Rightarrow \exists x : f(x) = p$.

Proof. 1) f is continuous $\Rightarrow f([a, b])$ is compact $\Rightarrow f([a, b])$ is closed and bounded.

2) $\phi \neq f([a, b]) \leq M$. Let $M_0 = \sup f([a, b]) \Rightarrow M_0 \in \text{closure}(f([a, b])) = f([a, b]) \Rightarrow \exists x_0 \in [a, b] : f(x_0) = M_0$.

3) $[a, b]$ is connected $\Rightarrow f([a, b])$ is connected $\Rightarrow f([a, b])$ is an interval. □

Theorem. $f : X \rightarrow Y$ *continuous* and X *compact*. Then f is *uniformly continuous*.

Proof. ⁹ Suppose that f is not uniformly continuous. Then there exist $\epsilon > 0$ and (setting $\delta = 1/k$ in the definition) points $x_k, z_k \in X$ ¹⁰ such that $|x_k - z_k| < 1/k$ while $|f(x_k) - f(z_k)| \geq \epsilon$. Passing to a subsequence, we can assume that $x_k \rightarrow x \in X$.¹¹ Since $|x_k - z_k| \rightarrow 0$, we also obtain $z_k \rightarrow x$. Since f is continuous, $f(x_k) \rightarrow f(x)$ and $f(z_k) \rightarrow f(x)$, so that $|f(x_k) - f(z_k)| \leq |f(x_k) - f(x)| + |f(x) - f(z_k)| \rightarrow 0$, a contradiction. □

⁹Gamelin, Green, p. 26-27; Rudin, p. 91.

¹⁰See the technique of negation in the beginning of the section.

¹¹Since $\{x_k\}$ is Cauchy, and the convergent subsequence can be constructed, $x_k \rightarrow x$.

8 Sequences and Series of Functions

8.1 Pointwise and Uniform Convergence

Suppose $\{f_n\}$, $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, is a sequence of functions defined on a set E , and suppose that the sequence of numbers $\{f_n(x)\}$ converges $\forall x \in E$. Define a function f by

$$f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x), \quad (x \in E).$$

$\{f_n\}$ **converges pointwise** to f on E .

A sequence of functions $\{f_n\}$ **converges uniformly** on E to f if $\forall \epsilon > 0$, $\exists N$, such that $\forall n \geq N$,

$$|f_n(x) - f(x)| \leq \epsilon, \quad \forall x \in E.$$

Example: Consider $f(x) = x^n$ on $[0, 1]$ \Rightarrow convergent, but not uniformly convergent on $[0, 1]$.

Problem (F'01, #3). If $\{f_n\}$ is a sequence of continuous functions on E , and if $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on E , then f is continuous on E .

Proof. Fix $\epsilon > 0$. Since $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly, choose N , s.t. $\forall n \geq N$

$$|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \frac{\epsilon}{3}, \quad \forall x \in E$$

Since f_n is continuous at p , choose δ , s.t. $x \in E$, $|x - p| < \delta$ then

$$|f_n(x) - f_n(p)| < \frac{\epsilon}{3}, \quad n \geq N$$

Thus, $|f(x) - f(p)| \leq |f(x) - f_n(x)| + |f_n(x) - f_n(p)| + |f_n(p) - f(p)| < \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} = \epsilon$. Hence, given any ϵ , $\exists \delta$, s.t. $|x - p| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(p)| < \epsilon$, and f is continuous at p . \square

8.2 Normed Vector Spaces

Problem (F'03, #7). $C^0[a, b]$ with the metric $d(f, g) \equiv \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} |f(x) - g(x)| = \|f - g\|_\infty$ is complete.

Proof. Let $\{\varphi_n\}_1^\infty$ be a Cauchy sequence of elements of $C^0[a, b]$. Given $\epsilon > 0$, choose N such that $m, n \geq N \Rightarrow$

$$\|\varphi_m - \varphi_n\|_\infty < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad (\text{sup norm}).$$

Then, in particular, $\|\varphi_m(x) - \varphi_n(x)\|_\infty < \epsilon/2$ for each $x \in [a, b]$. Therefore $\{\varphi_n(x)\}_1^\infty$ is a Cauchy sequence of real numbers, and hence converges to some real number $\varphi(x)$. It remains to show that the sequence of functions $\{\varphi_n\}$ converges uniformly to φ ; if so, it will imply that φ is continuous on $[a, b]$, i.e. $\varphi \in C^0[a, b]$.

Claim: For $n \geq N$, (N same as above, n fixed), $|\varphi(x) - \varphi_n(x)| < \epsilon$ for all $x \in [a, b]$.

To see this, choose $m \geq N$ sufficiently large (depending on x) s.t. $|\varphi(x) - \varphi_m(x)| < \epsilon/2$. $\Rightarrow |\varphi(x) - \varphi_n(x)| \leq |\varphi(x) - \varphi_m(x)| + |\varphi_m(x) - \varphi_n(x)| < \epsilon/2 + \|\varphi_m - \varphi_n\| < \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 = \epsilon$. Since $x \in [a, b]$ was arbitrary, it follows that $\|\varphi_n - \varphi\| < \epsilon$ as desired. \square

Theorem. Let $\{f_n\} \in C^1[a, b]$, $f_n \rightarrow f$ pointwise, $f'_n \rightarrow g$ uniformly. Then $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly, and f is differentiable, with $f' = g$.

Proof. By the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus, we have

$$f_n(x) = f_n(a) + \int_a^x f'_n \quad \forall n, \forall x \in [a, b].$$

From this and the Uniform Convergence and Integration theorem, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(a) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^x f'_n, \\ f(x) &= f(a) + \int_a^x g. \end{aligned}$$

Another application of the Fundamental Theorem yields $f' = g$ as desired.

To see that convergence of $f_n \rightarrow f$ is uniform, note that

$$\begin{aligned} |f_n(x) - f(x)| &= \left| \int_a^x f'_n - \int_a^x g \right| + |f_n(a) - f(a)| \leq \int_a^x |f'_n - g| + |f_n(a) - f(a)| \\ &\leq (b-a) \|f'_n - g\|_\infty + |f_n(a) - f(a)|. \end{aligned}$$

The uniform convergence of f_n therefore follows from that of f'_n . \square

Theorem. $C^1[a, b]$, with the C^1 -norm defined by

$$\|\varphi\| = \max_{x \in [a, b]} |\varphi(x)| + \max_{x \in [a, b]} |\varphi'(x)|,$$

is complete.

Proof. Let $\{\varphi_n\}_1^\infty$ be a Cauchy sequence of elements of $C^1[a, b]$. Since

$$\max_{x \in [a, b]} |\varphi_m(x) - \varphi_n(x)| \leq \|\varphi_m - \varphi_n\| \quad (C^1 - \text{norm}),$$

φ_n is a uniformly Cauchy sequence of continuous functions. Thus $\varphi_n \rightarrow \varphi \in C^0[a, b]$ uniformly. Similarly, since

$$\max_{x \in [a, b]} |\varphi'_m(x) - \varphi'_n(x)| \leq \|\varphi_m - \varphi_n\| \quad (C^1 - \text{norm}),$$

$\varphi'_n \rightarrow \psi \in C^0[a, b]$ uniformly. By the above theorem, φ is differentiable with $\varphi' = \psi$, so $\varphi \in C^1[a, b]$. Since

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{x \in [a, b]} |\varphi_n(x) - \varphi(x)| &= \|\varphi_n - \varphi\|_\infty \quad (\text{sup norm}), \quad \text{and} \\ \max_{x \in [a, b]} |\varphi'_n(x) - \varphi'(x)| &= \|\varphi'_n - \varphi'\|_\infty \quad (\text{sup norm}) \end{aligned}$$

the uniform convergence of φ_n and φ'_n implies that $\varphi_n \rightarrow \varphi$ with respect to the C^1 -norm of $C^1[a, b]$. Thus every Cauchy sequence in $C^1[a, b]$ converges. \square

8.3 Equicontinuity

A family F of functions f defined on a set $E \subset X$ is **equicontinuous** on E if:
 $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta, \text{ such that } |x - y| < \delta, x, y \in E, f \in F \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon.$

8.3.1 Arzela-Ascoli Theorem

Suppose $\{f_n(x)\}_{n=1}^\infty$ is **uniformly bounded** and **equicontinuous** sequence of functions defined on a **compact** subset K of X . Then $\{f_n\}$ is precompact, i.e. the closure of $\{f_n\}$ is compact, i.e. $\{f_n\}$ contains a **uniformly convergent subsequence**, i.e. $\{f_n\}$ contains a subsequence $\{f_{n_k}\}$ that converges uniformly on K to a function $f \in X$.

9 Connectedness

9.1 Relative Topology

Define the neighborhood of a point in \mathbb{R}^n as $N_\epsilon(x) = \{y : |x - y| < \epsilon\}$. Consider the subset of \mathbb{R}^n , $M \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$. If all we are interested in are just points in M , it would be more natural to define a neighborhood of a point $x \in M$ as $N_{M,\epsilon} = \{y \in M : |x - y| < \epsilon\}$. Thus, the relative neighborhood is just a restriction of the neighborhood in \mathbb{R}^n to M . Relative interior points and relative boundary points of a set, as well as a relative open set and a relative closed set, can be defined accordingly.

Alternative definitions:

$S \subseteq M(\subseteq \mathbb{R}^n)$ is open relative to M if there is an open set U in \mathbb{R}^n such that $S = U \cap M$.
 $S \subseteq M(\subseteq \mathbb{R}^n)$ is closed relative to M if there is a closed set V in \mathbb{R}^n such that $S = V \cap M$.

Example: A set $S = [1, 4)$ is open relative to $M = [1, 10] \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ since for the open set $U = (0, 4)$ in \mathbb{R} , we have $S = U \cap M$.

Example: A set $S = [1, 3]$ is open relative to $M = [1, 3] \cup [4, 6] \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ since for the open set $U = (0, 4)$ in \mathbb{R} , we have $S = U \cap M$.

9.2 Connectedness

X is **connected** if it cannot be expressed as a disjoint¹² union of two nonempty subsets that are both open and closed. i.e.

M is connected if $M = A \cup B$, such that A, B open and $A \cap B = \phi$, then A or B is empty; or, M is connected if $M = A \sqcup B$, A, B open $\Rightarrow A = \phi$ or $B = \phi$.

Fact: X is connected $\Leftrightarrow X$ and ϕ are the only subsets which are clopen.

X is **disconnected** if there are closed and open subsets A and B of X such that $A \cup B = X$, $A \cap B = \phi$, $A \neq \phi$, $B \neq \phi$.

Another way of phrasing: X is disconnected if there is a closed and open $U \subset X$, such that $U \neq \phi$ and $U \neq X$. If there is such a U , then the complement $V = X \setminus U$ of U is also both closed and open and X is the disjoint union of the nonempty sets U and V .

A subset of a space is a *connected subset* if it is connected in the relative topology.

¹² $A \cap B = \phi$, then A and B are **disjoint**.

Problem (S'02, #1). *The closed interval $[a, b]$ is **connected**.*

Proof. Let $[a, b] = G \cup H$, s.t. $G \cap H = \phi$. Let $b \in H$. Then claim: $G = \phi$. If not, let $c = \sup G$. Since G is closed, $c \in G$. Since G is open¹³, $B_\epsilon(c) \subseteq G$, i.e. $[c, c + \epsilon) \subset G$. That contradicts $c = \sup G$. Thus $G = \phi$. \square

Note: Since $[a, b)$ and (a, b) can be expressed as the union of an increasing sequence of compact intervals, these are also connected.

Theorem. *Let $S_\alpha \subseteq M$, S_α connected. Suppose $\bigcap S_\alpha \neq \phi$. Then $\bigcup S_\alpha$ is connected.*

Proof. Let $S = \bigcup S_\alpha = G \sqcup H$, G, H are open in $\bigcup S_\alpha$. Choose $x_0 \in \bigcap S_\alpha$. $S_\alpha = (S_\alpha \cap G) \sqcup (S_\alpha \cap H)$. Assume $x_0 \in G$. Since S_α is connected and $x_0 \in S_\alpha \cap G$, we get $S_\alpha \cap H = \phi$, $\forall \alpha$. Therefore, $(\bigcup S_\alpha) \cap H = \phi$. Since $H \subseteq \bigcup S_\alpha \Rightarrow H = \phi$. Therefore, S is connected. \square

Corollary. \mathbb{R} is **connected**.

Proof. Let $\mathbb{R} = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} [-n, n]$, $0 \in \bigcap [-n, n]$. Therefore, \mathbb{R} is the union of connected subsets. By the theorem above, \mathbb{R} is connected. \square

Theorem. *Let $f : M \rightarrow N$ is continuous and M is connected. Then $f(M)$ is connected.*

Proof. Say $f(M) = G \sqcup H$, $G, H \neq \phi$. G, H open. Then $M = f^{-1}(G) \cup f^{-1}(H)$, where $f^{-1}(G)$ and $f^{-1}(H)$ are both open and nonempty. Contradicts connectedness of M . \square

Theorem. *$a, b \in I$, and $a < c < b$, then $c \in I$, i.e. I is an interval $\Leftrightarrow I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is connected.*

Proof. \Rightarrow Assume I an interval.

$S = [a, b]$; $S = (a, b]$, $a \geq -\infty$; $S = [a, b)$, $b \leq \infty$; $S = (a, b)$, $a \geq -\infty$, $b \leq \infty$.
 $[a, b) = \bigcup_{n \geq n_0} [a, b - \frac{1}{n}]$. $a \in \bigcap [a, b - \frac{1}{n}]$.

\Leftarrow Say I is not an interval. $\exists a < c < b$, $a, b \in I$, $c \notin I$. $I = ((-\infty, c) \cap I) \sqcup ((c, \infty) \cap I)$, i.e. I is not connected. \square

Problem (W'02, #3). *The open unit ball in \mathbb{R}^2 , $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 + y^2 < 1\}$ is connected.*

Proof. Let $f_\theta(t) = t(\cos \theta, \sin \theta)$, $-1 < t < 1$. We have $f_\theta : (-1, 1) \rightarrow (t \cos \theta, t \sin \theta)$. Since f_θ is continuous and $(-1, 1)$ is connected, $f_\theta((-1, 1))$ is connected. The unit ball can be expressed as $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 + y^2 < 1\} = \bigcup_{0 \leq \theta < \pi} f_\theta(t)$. We know that the origin is contained in the intersection of f_θ 's. Therefore, $\bigcup_{0 \leq \theta < \pi} f_\theta(t)$ is connected by the theorem above. \square

¹³If $M = G \cup H$, $G \cap H = \phi$ and G, H are open, then G is closed and open, since $G = H^c$.
 $M = [0, 1] \cup [2, 3]$ is not connected because if $G = [0, 1]$, $H = [2, 3]$, $M = G \cup H$, G, H are clopen in M , $G \cap H = \phi$, and $G, H \neq \phi$.

9.3 Path Connectedness

A **path** in X from x_0 to x_1 is a continuous function $\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow X$, such that $\gamma(0) = x_0$ and $\gamma(1) = x_1$.

X is **path-connected** if, for every pair of points x_0 and x_1 in X , there is a path γ from x_0 to x_1 .

Theorem. *A path-connected space is connected.*

Proof. Fix $x_0 \in X$. For each $x \in X$, let $\gamma_x : [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ be a path from x_0 to x . By theorems above, i.e.

(1) X connected and $f : X \rightarrow Y$ continuous $\Rightarrow f(X)$ connected;

(2) any interval in \mathbb{R} is connected;

each $\gamma_x([0, 1])$ is a connected subset of X . Each $\gamma_x([0, 1])$ contains x_0 and $X = \bigcup \{\gamma_x([0, 1]) : x \in X\}$, so that the theorem above shows that X is connected. \square

Theorem. *An open subset of \mathbb{R}^n is connected \Leftrightarrow it is path-connected.*

Problem. *Any subinterval of \mathbb{R} (closed, open, or semiopen) is path-connected.*

Proof. If a, b belong to an interval (of any kind), then $\gamma(t) = (1 - t)a + tb$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$, defines a path from a to b in the interval. \square

Problem. *If X is path-connected and $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a map, then $f(X)$ is path-connected.*

Proof. If $p = f(x)$ and $q = f(y)$, and γ is a path in X from x to y , then $f \circ \gamma$ is a path in $f(X)$ from p to q . \square

10 Baire Category Theorem

A subset $T \subset X$ is **dense** in X if $\overline{T} = X$, i.e. every point of X is a limit point of T , or a point of T , or both.

A subset $Y \subset X$ is **nowhere dense** if \overline{Y} has no interior points, i.e. $\text{int}(\overline{Y}) = \emptyset$.

Y is nowhere dense $\Leftrightarrow X \setminus \overline{Y}$ is a dense open subset of X .

The **interior** of E is the largest open set in E , i.e. the set of all interior points of E .

$\overline{\mathbb{Q}} = \mathbb{R}$, $(\overline{\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}}) = \mathbb{R}$.

$[0, 1] \cap \mathbb{Q}$ is **not** closed; $(0, 1) \cap \mathbb{Q}$ is **not** open in \mathbb{R} .

Baire's Category Theorem. Let $\{U_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be a sequence of dense open subsets of a complete metric space X . Then $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n$ is also dense in X . (Any countable intersection of dense open sets in a complete metric space is dense.)

Corollary. Let $\{E_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be a sequence of nowhere dense subsets of a complete metric space X . Then $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$ has empty interior. (In a complete metric space, no nonempty open subset can be expressed as a union of countable collection of nowhere dense sets.)

Proof. We apply the Baire Category Theorem to the dense open sets $U_n = X \setminus \overline{E}_n$. Then, $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n$ is dense in X .

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} (X \setminus \overline{E}_n) = X \setminus \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \overline{E}_n$$

Therefore, $X \setminus \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \overline{E}_n$ is dense, $\Rightarrow \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \overline{E}_n$ is nowhere dense $\Rightarrow \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$ has empty interior. \square

A subset of X is of the **first category** (i.e. \mathbb{Q}) if it is the countable union of nowhere dense subsets. A subset (i.e. \mathbb{I}, \mathbb{R}) that is not of the first category is said to be of the **second category**.

$S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is **F_{σ}** set if $S = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n$, F_n closed.

$S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is **G_{δ}** set if $S = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} G_n$, G_n open.

Problem (W'02, #4). The set of irrational numbers \mathbb{I} in \mathbb{R} is **not** the countable union of closed sets (not an F_{σ} set).

Proof. Suppose $\mathbb{I} = \bigcup F_n$, where each F_n is closed.

$$\mathbb{R} = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} F_n \cup \bigcup_{q \in \mathbb{Q}} \{q\}$$

Thus \mathbb{R} can be expressed as the countable union of closed sets. By (corollary to) the Baire Category Theorem, since \mathbb{R} is a nonempty open subset, one of these closed sets has a nonempty interior. It cannot be one of q 's, and since any nonempty interval contains rational numbers, it cannot be one of F_n 's. Contradiction. \square

Problem (S'02, #2; F'02, #3). The set \mathbb{Q} of rational numbers is **not** the countable intersection of open sets of \mathbb{R} (not a G_{δ} set).

Show that there is a subset of \mathbb{R} which is **not** the countable intersection of open subsets.

Proof. We take complements in the preceding theorem. Suppose $\mathbb{Q} = \bigcap G_n$, where each G_n open. Then,

$$\mathbb{I} = \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q} = \mathbb{R} \setminus \left(\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} G_n \right) = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} (\mathbb{R} \setminus G_n),$$

and $\mathbb{R} \setminus G_n$ is closed. Thus, \mathbb{I} is a F_{σ} set, which contradicts the previous theorem. \square

Problem (S'03, #3). Find $S \subset \mathbb{R}$ such that both (i) and (ii) hold for S :

(i) S is **not** the countable union of closed sets (not F_σ);

(ii) S is **not** the countable intersection of open sets (not G_δ).

Proof. Let $\mathbf{A} \subseteq [0, 1]$ **not** \mathbf{F}_σ , $\mathbf{B} \subseteq [2, 3]$ **not** $\mathbf{G}_\delta \Rightarrow \mathbf{A} \cup \mathbf{B}$ is **neither** \mathbf{F}_σ **nor** \mathbf{G}_δ .

If $A \cup B$ is F_σ , say $A \cup B = \bigcup \underbrace{F_n}_{\text{closed}} \Rightarrow$

$$A = A \cup B \cap [0, 1] = \bigcup F_n \cap [0, 1] = \bigcup \underbrace{(F_n \cap [0, 1])}_{\text{closed}} \equiv F_\sigma \text{ set} \Rightarrow \text{contradiction.}$$

If $A \cup B$ is G_δ , say $A \cup B = \bigcap \underbrace{G_n}_{\text{open}} \Rightarrow$

$$B = A \cup B \cap \left(\frac{3}{2}, \frac{7}{2}\right) = \bigcap G_n \cap \left(\frac{3}{2}, \frac{7}{2}\right) = \bigcap \underbrace{(G_n \cap \left(\frac{3}{2}, \frac{7}{2}\right))}_{\text{open}} \equiv G_\delta \text{ set} \Rightarrow \text{contradiction.}$$

□

Problem. \mathbb{Q} is **not** open, is **not** closed, but **is** the countable union of closed sets (F_σ set).

Proof. Since any neighborhood $(q - \epsilon, q + \epsilon)$ of a rational q contains irrationals, \mathbb{Q} has no inner points. $\Rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$ is **not** open. Since every irrational number i is the limit of a sequence of rationals $\Rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$ is **not** closed. Since every one-point-set $\{x\} \subset \mathbb{R}$ is closed and \mathbb{Q} is countable, say (q_n) is a sequence of all rational numbers, we find that

$$\mathbb{Q} = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \{q_n\}$$

is the countable union of closed sets, i.e. \mathbb{Q} is F_σ . □

Problem. The set of isolated points of a countable complete metric space X forms a dense subset of X .

Proof. For each point $x \in X$ that is *not* an isolated point of X , define $U_x = X \setminus \{x\}$. Each such U_x is open and dense in X , and the intersection of the U_x 's consists precisely of the isolated points of X . By the Baire Category Theorem, the intersection of the U_x 's is dense in X . □

Problem. Suppose that F is a subset of the first category in a metric space X and E is a subset of F . Prove that E is of the first category in X . Show by an example that E may not be of the first category in the metric space F .

Proof. If $F = \bigcup F_n$, where each F_n is nowhere dense, then $E = \bigcup (E \cap F_n)$, and each $E \cap F_n$ is nowhere dense. For example, note the \mathbb{R} is of first category in \mathbb{R}^2 , but \mathbb{R} is not of first category in itself. □

Problem. Any countable union of sets of the first category in X is again of the first category in X .

Proof. A countable union of countable unions is a countable union. □

Problem. a) If $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ satisfy $a < b$, then there exists a rational number $q \in (a, b)$.
 b) The set \mathbb{Q} of rational numbers is dense in \mathbb{R} .

Problem. The set of irrational numbers is dense in \mathbb{R} .

Proof. If i is any irrational number, and if q is rational, then $q + i/n$ is irrational, and $q + i/n \rightarrow q$. \square

Problem. Regard the rational numbers \mathbb{Q} as a subspace of \mathbb{R} . Does the metric space \mathbb{Q} have any isolated points?

Proof. The rationals have no isolated points. This does not contradict the above, i.e. "The set of isolated points of countable complete metric space X forms dense subset of X " because the rationals are not complete. \square

Problem. Every open subset of \mathbb{R} is a union of disjoint open intervals (finite, semi-infinite, or infinite).

Proof. For each $x \in U$, let I_x be the union of all open intervals containing x that are contained in U . Show that each I_x is an open interval (possibly infinite or semi-infinite), any two I_x 's either coincide or are disjoint, and the union of the I_x 's is U . \square

11 Integration

11.1 Riemann Integral

Let $[a, b]$ be a given interval. A **partition** P of $[a, b]$ is a finite set of points x_0, \dots, x_n :

$$a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_{n-1} < x_n = b, \quad \Delta x_i = x_i - x_{i-1}.$$

A Riemann sum for f corresponding to the given partition is

$$S(P, f) = \sum_{i=1}^n f(x'_i) \Delta x_i, \quad x_{i-1} \leq x'_i \leq x_i.$$

Definition: f is Riemann integrable on $[a, b]$, if $\exists A \in \mathbb{R}$ such that:

$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ such that whenever S is a Riemann sum for f corresponding to any partition of $[a, b]$ with $\max(\Delta x_i) < \delta \Rightarrow |S - A| < \epsilon$.

In this case A is called the Riemann integral of f between a and b and is denoted as $\int_a^b f dx$.

Alternative Definition: f is Riemann integrable on $[a, b]$ if:

$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists P$ such that $U(P, f) - L(P, f) < \epsilon$.

If f is bounded, there exist m and M , such that $m \leq f(x) \leq M, a \leq x \leq b$. Hence, for every P ,

$$m(b - a) \leq S(P, f) \leq M(b - a),$$

so that $S(P, f)$ is bounded. This shows that Riemann sums are defined for every bounded function f .

11.2 Existence of Riemann Integral

Theorem. f is integrable on $[a, b] \Leftrightarrow \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ such that $S_1(P, f), S_2(P, f), P$ with $\max(\Delta x_i) < \delta$, then $|S_1 - S_2| < \epsilon$.

Proof. \Rightarrow Suppose f is integrable on $[a, b]$. $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ such that $S(P, f), P$ with $\max(\Delta x_i) < \delta$, then $|S - \int_a^b f(x)dx| < \epsilon/2$. For such S_1 and S_2 ,

$$|S_1 - S_2| = \left| \left(S_1 - \int_a^b f(x)dx \right) - \left(S_2 - \int_a^b f(x)dx \right) \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon.$$

$\Leftarrow \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ such that $S_1(P, f), S_2(P, F), P$ with $\max(\Delta x_i) < \delta \Rightarrow |S_1 - S_2| < \epsilon$.

For $n = 1, 2, \dots$, choose $S^{(n)}(P, f), P$ with $\max(\Delta x_i) < 1/n$. Then,

$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N > 0$ ($\delta = 1/N$), such that $|S^{(n)} - S^{(m)}| < \epsilon, n, m \geq N \Rightarrow S^{(n)}$ is a Cauchy sequence of real numbers $\Rightarrow S^{(n)}$ converges to some $A \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow |S^{(N)} - A| < \epsilon, 1/N < \delta$.

Thus for any $S(P, f), P$ with $\max(\Delta x_i) < \delta$, we have

$$|S - A| \leq |S - S^{(N)}| + |S^{(N)} - A| < 2\epsilon. \quad \square$$

Theorem. If f is continuous on $[a, b]$ then f is integrable on $[a, b]$.

Proof. Since f is uniformly continuous on $[a, b], \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ such that $\forall x, z \in [a, b], |x - z| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(z)| < \epsilon \circledast$. If P is any partition of $[a, b]$ with $\max(\Delta x_i) < \delta$, then \circledast implies that $M_i - m_i \leq \epsilon, i = 1, \dots, n$, and therefore

$$U(P, f) - L(P, f) = \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i - m_i) \Delta x_i \leq \epsilon \sum_{i=1}^n \Delta x_i = \epsilon(b - a).$$

Thus, $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists P$ such that $|U(P, f) - L(P, f)| < C\epsilon \Rightarrow f$ is integrable. \square

11.3 Fundamental Theorem of Calculus

Theorem. If $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous, and $F : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined by

$$F(x) = \int_a^x f(t)dt,$$

then F is differentiable and $F' = f$.

Proof. Since f is continuous, $F(x) = \int_a^x f(t)dt$ is defined for all $x \in [a, b]$. We have to show that for any fixed $x_0 \in [a, b]$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{F(x) - F(x_0)}{x - x_0} = f(x_0).$$

For any $x \in [a, b], x \neq x_0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{F(x) - F(x_0)}{x - x_0} - f(x_0) \right| &= \left| \frac{\int_a^x f(t)dt - \int_a^{x_0} f(t)dt}{x - x_0} - f(x_0) \right| = \left| \frac{\int_{x_0}^x f(t)dt}{x - x_0} - f(x_0) \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{\int_{x_0}^x f(t)dt}{x - x_0} - \frac{\int_{x_0}^x f(x_0)dt}{x - x_0} \right| = \left| \frac{\int_{x_0}^x (f(t) - f(x_0))dt}{x - x_0} \right| \leq \frac{\int_{x_0}^x |f(t) - f(x_0)|dt}{|x - x_0|} \Rightarrow \circledast \end{aligned}$$

Since f is continuous at x_0 , given $\epsilon > 0, \exists \delta$, such that $x \in [a, b], |x - x_0| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(x_0)| < \epsilon$. Then for any t between x and x_0 , we have $|f(t) - f(x_0)| < \epsilon$.

$$\Rightarrow \circledast < \frac{\int_{x_0}^x \epsilon dt}{|x - x_0|} = \epsilon.$$

Thus $F'(x_0) = f(x_0)$. \square

Corollary. If $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous and $F' = f$ on $[a, b]$, then

$$\int_a^b f(t)dt = F(b) - F(a).$$

Proof. Since $\frac{d}{dx}(\int_a^x f(t)dt - F(x)) = f(x) - f(x) = 0$, $\int_a^x f(t)dt - F(x)$ is constant. Thus $\int_a^x f(t)dt = F(x) + c$, for some $c \in \mathbb{R}$. In particular, $0 = \int_a^a f(t)dt = F(a) + c$, so that $c = -F(a)$. Therefore, $\int_a^x f(t)dt = F(x) - F(a)$. Hence, $\int_a^b f(t)dt = F(b) - F(a)$. \square

Integration by Parts. Suppose f and g are differentiable functions on $[a, b]$, $f', g' \in \mathfrak{R}$. Then

$$\int_a^b f(x)g'(x)dx = f(b)g(b) - f(a)g(a) - \int_a^b f'(x)g(x)dx.$$

Proof. Let $h(x) = f(x)g(x)$ and apply the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus to h and its derivative.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b h'(x)dx &= h(b) - h(a) \\ \int_a^b (f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x))dx &= f(b)g(b) - f(a)g(a). \end{aligned}$$

Note that $h' \in \mathfrak{R}$. \square

Mean Value Theorem for Integrals. If $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous, then $\int_a^b f(x)dx = f(c)(b - a)$ for some $c \in [a, b]$.

Proof. Since f is continuous, by the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus, there is a function $F : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $F'(x) = f(x)$ for $x \in (a, b)$, and $\int_a^b f(x)dx = F(b) - F(a)$.

By the Mean Value Theorem for Differentiation, $\exists c \in (a, b)$ such that $F(b) - F(a) = F'(c)(b - a)$. Thus,

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx \underbrace{=}_{FTC} F(b) - F(a) \underbrace{=}_{MVT} F'(c)(b - a) \underbrace{=}_{FTC} f(c)(b - a).$$

Thus, $\exists c \in (a, b)$ such that $\int_a^b f(x)dx = f(c)(b - a)$. \square

Generalized Mean Value Theorem for Integrals. If $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are continuous and $g(x) > 0$ for all $x \in [a, b]$, then there exists $c \in [a, b]$ such that

$$\int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx = f(c) \int_a^b g(x)dx.$$

Proof. Since $g(x) > 0$ for all $x \in [a, b]$ and since g is continuous, $\int_a^b g(x)dx > 0$.

Suppose $f(x)$ attains its maximum M at x_2 and minimum m at x_1 .

Then $m = f(x_1) \leq f(x) \leq f(x_2) = M$ for $x \in [a, b]$, and

$$m \int_a^b g(x)dx \leq \int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx \leq M \int_a^b g(x)dx,$$

and hence

$$m \leq \frac{\int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx}{\int_a^b g(x)dx} \leq M.$$

Since f is continuous on compact $[a, b]$, $\exists c$ such that $f(c) = \frac{\int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx}{\int_a^b g(x)dx}$. \square

Uniform Convergence and Integration. Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of continuous functions on $[a, b]$ and $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on $[a, b]$. Then

$$\int_a^b \underbrace{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x)}_{f(x)} dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b f_n(x) dx.$$

Proof. Let $f = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n$. Since each f_n is continuous and $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly $\Rightarrow f$ is continuous. In particular, f is integrable on $[a, b]$. By the definition of uniform convergence, $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N > 0$ such that $n > N, |f(x) - f_n(x)| < \epsilon/(b-a), \forall x \in [a, b]$. Thus,

$$-\frac{\epsilon}{b-a} \leq f(x) - f_n(x) \leq \frac{\epsilon}{b-a}, \quad \forall x \in [a, b] \quad \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow -\epsilon \leq \int_a^b (f(x) - f_n(x)) dx \leq \epsilon$$

$$\text{or } \left| \int_a^b f(x) dx - \int_a^b f_n(x) dx \right| \leq \epsilon.$$

The last inequality holds for all $n > N$, and therefore, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b f_n(x) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx$. \square

Uniform Convergence and Differentiation. Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of differentiable functions on $[a, b]$ such that $\{f_n(x_0)\}$ converges for some $x_0 \in [a, b]$. If $f'_n \rightarrow f'$ uniformly, then $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on $[a, b]$, and

$$\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n \right)' = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f'_n$$

Proof. See the section on “Sequences and Series of Functions: Normed Vector Spaces” where the weaker statement is proved, i.e. $\{f_n\} \in C^1, f_n \rightarrow f$ pointwise on $[a, b]$. \square

12 Differentiation

12.1 $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

12.1.1 The Derivative of a Real Function

Let $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $x_0 \in (a, b)$. f is **differentiable** at x_0 if

$$f'(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0}$$

exists. f' is the **derivative** of f .

Theorem. $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. f is differentiable at $x_0 \Rightarrow f$ is continuous at x_0 .

Proof.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} (f(x) - f(x_0)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0} \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} (x - x_0) = f'(x_0) \cdot 0 = 0.$$

Since $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = f(x_0)$, f is continuous at x_0 . □

Lemma. If $f'(c) > 0$, then f is locally strictly increasing at c , i.e., $\exists \delta > 0$ such that:

$$c - \delta < x < c \Rightarrow f(x) < f(c),$$

$$c < x < c + \delta \Rightarrow f(c) < f(x).$$

Proof. $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} > 0 \Rightarrow \exists \delta > 0: \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} > 0$ whenever $0 < |x - c| < \delta$.

Thus since $f(x) - f(c) = \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}(x - c)$, ($x \neq c$), we have

$$c - \delta < x < c \Rightarrow f(x) - f(c) < 0,$$

$$c < x < c + \delta \Rightarrow f(x) - f(c) > 0. \quad \square$$

Corollary. If f has a max (or a min) at $c \in (a, b)$, i.e. $f(x) \leq f(c)$ (or $f(x) \geq f(c)$) for all x , then $f'(c) = 0$.

Proof. Say $f'(c) \neq 0$. Say $f'(c) > 0$. Then $x > c \Rightarrow f(x) \leq f(c)$ (since f has a max at c), contradicting the lemma above. Proofs of other conditions are similar. □

12.1.2 Rolle's Theorem

Theorem. Let f be continuous on $[a, b]$, differentiable on (a, b) , and $f(a) = f(b)$. Then $\exists c \in (a, b) : f'(c) = 0$.

Proof. Let $M = \sup\{f(x) : x \in [a, b]\}$, $m = \inf\{f(x) : x \in [a, b]\}$.

Then $m \leq f(a) = f(b) \leq M$. If $M = m \Rightarrow f(x) = f(a)$, $\forall x \Rightarrow f'(c) = 0$, $\forall c \in (a, b)$.

Say $f(a) = f(b) < M$ \otimes . Then choose $c \in [a, b] : f(c) = M$. From \otimes , $c \in (a, b)$. We have from corollary, $f'(c) = 0$.

Similarly, say $m < f(a) = f(b)$ \odot . Then choose $c \in [a, b] : f(c) = m$. From \odot , $c \in (a, b)$. We have from corollary, $f'(c) = 0$. □

12.1.3 Mean Value Theorem

Theorem. Let f be continuous on $[a, b]$, differentiable on (a, b) . Then $\exists c \in (a, b)$:

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}.$$

Proof. Let $g(x) = f(x) - \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a}(x-a)$. Then $g(a) = g(b) = f(a)$. By Rolle's Theorem, $\exists c \in (a, b)$, such that $0 = g'(c) = f'(c) - \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a}$. \square

Corollary. Let f be continuous on $[a, b]$, differentiable on (a, b) .

a) $f'(x) = 0, \forall x \in (a, b) \Rightarrow f$ is constant.

b) $f'(x) > 0, \forall x \in (a, b) \Rightarrow f$ is strictly increasing.

Proof. b) $a \leq x_1 < x_2 \leq b$. By mean value theorem, $f(x_2) - f(x_1) = f'(c)(x_2 - x_1)$ for some $c \in (x_1, x_2)$. Therefore, $f(x_2) - f(x_1) > 0$ for all such x_1, x_2 . Proof of a) is similar. \square

12.2 $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

$f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is **differentiable** at $c \in \mathbb{R}$ if there exists a linear map $L : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ such that

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|f(c+h) - f(c) - L(h)\|}{\|h\|} = 0.$$

in which case L is defined by $L = df_c = f'(c) = \begin{bmatrix} f'_1(c) \\ \vdots \\ f'_m(c) \end{bmatrix}$.

The linear mapping $df_c : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is called the *differential* of f at c . The matrix of the linear mapping $f'(c)$ is the *derivative*. The differential is the linear mapping whose matrix is the derivative.

12.3 $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ open, $\mathbf{c} \in U$. $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is **differentiable** at \mathbf{c} if there exists a linear map $L : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ such that

$$\lim_{\mathbf{h} \rightarrow \mathbf{0}} \frac{\|f(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{h}) - f(\mathbf{c}) - L(\mathbf{h})\|}{\|\mathbf{h}\|} = 0.$$

in which case L is defined by

$$L = df_c = f'(c) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix}_{x=c}$$

Let $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\mathbf{c} \in G \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$. The **directional derivative** with respect to \mathbf{v} of f at \mathbf{c} is

$$D_{\mathbf{v}}f(\mathbf{c}) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\mathbf{c} + t\mathbf{v}) - f(\mathbf{c})}{t}$$

provided that the limit exists. In particular, the **partial derivatives** of f at \mathbf{c} are

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j}(\mathbf{c}) = D_{\mathbf{e}_j}f(\mathbf{c}) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\mathbf{c} + t\mathbf{e}_j) - f(\mathbf{c})}{t} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(c_1, \dots, c_j + t, \dots, c_n) - f(c_1, \dots, c_j, \dots, c_n)}{t}$$

Theorem. Let f be differentiable at \mathbf{c} (i.e., $df_{\mathbf{c}} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is defined). Then:

a)¹⁴ The directional derivative $D_{\mathbf{v}}f(\mathbf{c})$ exists $\forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, and $D_{\mathbf{v}}f(\mathbf{c}) = df_{\mathbf{c}}(\mathbf{v})$ ($= f'(\mathbf{c})\mathbf{v}$).

b)¹⁵ The matrix $f'(\mathbf{c})$ of $df_{\mathbf{c}}$ is $df_{\mathbf{c}} = f'(\mathbf{c}) = [\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}(\mathbf{c})]$.

Proof. **a)** Since f is differentiable, and letting $\mathbf{h} = t\mathbf{v}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|f(\mathbf{c} + t\mathbf{v}) - f(\mathbf{c}) - df_{\mathbf{c}}(t\mathbf{v})\|}{\|t\mathbf{v}\|} &= 0, \\ \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{v}\|} \left[\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \left\| \frac{f(\mathbf{c} + t\mathbf{v}) - f(\mathbf{c})}{t} - df_{\mathbf{c}}(\mathbf{v}) \right\| \right] &= 0, \\ \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\mathbf{c} + t\mathbf{v}) - f(\mathbf{c})}{t} &= df_{\mathbf{c}}(\mathbf{v}). \end{aligned}$$

i.e. $D_{\mathbf{v}}f(\mathbf{c})$ exists, and equals to $df_{\mathbf{c}}(\mathbf{v})$. □

Proof. **b)** $df_{\mathbf{c}} = \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ df_{\mathbf{c}}(\mathbf{e}_1) & \cdots & df_{\mathbf{c}}(\mathbf{e}_n) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ D_{\mathbf{e}_1}f(\mathbf{c}) & \cdots & D_{\mathbf{e}_n}f(\mathbf{c}) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}(\mathbf{c}) & \cdots & \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}(\mathbf{c}) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{bmatrix} =$

$$\left[\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}(\mathbf{c}) \right]_{m \times n}.$$

□

$f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is said to be **continuously differentiable** at \mathbf{c} if the partial derivatives $\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}$ exist on $B_{\epsilon}(\mathbf{c})$, and are continuous at \mathbf{c} .

¹⁴Edwards, Theorem 2.1

¹⁵Edwards, Theorem 2.4

Theorem¹⁶. If $\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}$ exist and are continuous on G , then at each $\mathbf{c} \in G$,

$$df_{\mathbf{c}} = f'(\mathbf{c}) = \left[\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}(\mathbf{c}) \right]. \quad (\text{i.e. } \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j} \text{ continuous} \Rightarrow f \text{ differentiable}).$$

Proof. Since $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is differentiable at \mathbf{c} iff each of its component functions f_1, \dots, f_m is, we may assume $m = 1$; $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Given $\mathbf{h} = (h_1, \dots, h_n)$, let $\mathbf{h}_0 = (0, \dots, 0)$, $\mathbf{h}_j = (h_1, \dots, h_j, 0, \dots, 0)$, $j = 1, \dots, n$. We have

$$f(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{h}) - f(\mathbf{c}) = \sum_{j=1}^n [f(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{h}_j) - f(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{h}_{j-1})].$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{h}_j) - f(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{h}_{j-1}) &= f(c_1 + h_1, \dots, c_{j-1} + h_{j-1}, \underline{c_j + h_j}, c_{j+1}, \dots, c_n) \\ &\quad - f(c_1 + h_1, \dots, c_{j-1} + h_{j-1}, \underline{c_j}, c_{j+1}, \dots, c_n) \\ &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j}(c_1 + h_1, \dots, c_{j-1} + h_{j-1}, \underline{c_j + t}, c_{j+1}, \dots, c_n) \cdot h_j \end{aligned}$$

for some $0 \leq t \leq h_j$, by mean-value theorem. Thus

$$f(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{h}_j) - f(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{h}_{j-1}) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j}(\mathbf{d}_j) \cdot h_j, \quad \text{for some } \mathbf{d}_j, \|\mathbf{d}_j - \mathbf{c}\| \leq \mathbf{h}.$$

$$\Rightarrow f(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{h}) - f(\mathbf{c}) = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j}(\mathbf{d}_j) \cdot h_j$$

Also considering $f'(\mathbf{c}) \cdot \mathbf{h} = \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}(\mathbf{c}) \quad \dots \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}(\mathbf{c}) \right] \begin{bmatrix} h_1 \\ \vdots \\ h_n \end{bmatrix}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\mathbf{h} \rightarrow \mathbf{0}} \frac{|f(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{h}) - f(\mathbf{c}) - f'(\mathbf{c}) \cdot \mathbf{h}|}{\|\mathbf{h}\|} &= \lim_{\mathbf{h} \rightarrow \mathbf{0}} \frac{|\sum_{j=1}^n [\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j}(\mathbf{d}_j) - \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j}(\mathbf{c})] h_j|}{\|\mathbf{h}\|} \\ &\leq \lim_{\mathbf{h} \rightarrow \mathbf{0}} \sum_{j=1}^n \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j}(\mathbf{d}_j) - \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j}(\mathbf{c}) \right| = 0, \end{aligned}$$

since each $\mathbf{d}_j \rightarrow \mathbf{c}$ as $\mathbf{h} \rightarrow \mathbf{0}$, and each $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j}$ is continuous at \mathbf{c} . □

¹⁶Edwards, Theorem 2.5

12.3.1 Chain Rule

Theorem. $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, $V \subset \mathbb{R}^m$. If the mappings $F : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ and $G : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ are differentiable at $\mathbf{a} \in U$ and $F(\mathbf{a}) \in V$ respectively, then their composition $H = G \circ F$ is differentiable at \mathbf{a} , and

$$dH_{\mathbf{a}} = dG_{F(\mathbf{a})} \circ dF_{\mathbf{a}} \quad (\text{composition of linear mappings})$$

In terms of derivatives

$$H'(\mathbf{a}) = G'(F(\mathbf{a})) \cdot F'(\mathbf{a}) \quad (\text{matrix multiplication})$$

The differential of the composition is the composition of the differentials; the derivative of the composition is the product of the derivatives.

Proof. We must show that

$$\lim_{\mathbf{h} \rightarrow \mathbf{0}} \frac{H(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{h}) - H(\mathbf{a}) - dG_{F(\mathbf{a})} \circ dF_{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{h})}{\|\mathbf{h}\|} = \mathbf{0}. \quad \text{Define}$$

$$\varphi(\mathbf{h}) = \frac{F(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{h}) - F(\mathbf{a}) - dF_{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{h})}{\|\mathbf{h}\|} \Rightarrow F(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{h}) - F(\mathbf{a}) = dF_{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{h}) + \|\mathbf{h}\| \tilde{\varphi}(\mathbf{h}) \quad \text{and} \quad (12.1)$$

$$\psi(\mathbf{k}) = \frac{G(F(\mathbf{a}) + \mathbf{k}) - G(F(\mathbf{a})) - dG_{F(\mathbf{a})}(\mathbf{k})}{\|\mathbf{k}\|} \Rightarrow G(F(\mathbf{a}) + \mathbf{k}) - G(F(\mathbf{a})) = dG_{F(\mathbf{a})}(\mathbf{k}) + \|\mathbf{k}\| \tilde{\psi}(\mathbf{k}) \quad (12.2)$$

The fact that F and G are differentiable at \mathbf{a} and $F(\mathbf{a})$, respectively, implies that

$$\lim_{\mathbf{h} \rightarrow \mathbf{0}} \varphi(\mathbf{h}) = \lim_{\mathbf{k} \rightarrow \mathbf{0}} \psi(\mathbf{k}) = \mathbf{0}. \quad \text{Then}$$

$$\begin{aligned} H(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{h}) - H(\mathbf{a}) &= G(F(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{h})) - G(F(\mathbf{a})) = G(F(\mathbf{a}) + (F(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{h}) - F(\mathbf{a}))) - G(F(\mathbf{a})) \\ &= [_{\mathbf{k}=F(\mathbf{a}+\mathbf{h})-F(\mathbf{a}) \text{ in (12.2)}}] = dG_{F(\mathbf{a})}(F(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{h}) - F(\mathbf{a})) + \|F(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{h}) - F(\mathbf{a})\| \cdot \tilde{\psi}(F(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{h}) - F(\mathbf{a})) \\ &= (12.1) = dG_{F(\mathbf{a})}(dF_{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{h}) + \|\mathbf{h}\| \varphi(\mathbf{h})) + \|dF_{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{h}) + \|\mathbf{h}\| \varphi(\mathbf{h})\| \cdot \tilde{\psi}(F(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{h}) - F(\mathbf{a})) \\ &= dG_{F(\mathbf{a})} \circ dF_{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{h}) + \|\mathbf{h}\| dG_{F(\mathbf{a})}(\varphi(\mathbf{h})) + \|\mathbf{h}\| \left\| dF_{\mathbf{a}}\left(\frac{\mathbf{h}}{\|\mathbf{h}\|}\right) + \varphi(\mathbf{h}) \right\| \cdot \tilde{\psi}(F(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{h}) - F(\mathbf{a})) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{H(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{h}) - H(\mathbf{a}) - dG_{F(\mathbf{a})} \circ dF_{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{h})}{\|\mathbf{h}\|} &= dG_{F(\mathbf{a})}(\varphi(\mathbf{h})) + \left\| dF_{\mathbf{a}}\left(\frac{\mathbf{h}}{\|\mathbf{h}\|}\right) + \varphi(\mathbf{h}) \right\| \cdot \tilde{\psi}(F(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{h}) - F(\mathbf{a})) \end{aligned}$$

$dG_{F(\mathbf{a})}$ is linear \Rightarrow continuous, and $\lim_{\mathbf{h} \rightarrow \mathbf{0}} \varphi(\mathbf{h}) = \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow \lim_{\mathbf{h} \rightarrow \mathbf{0}} dG_{F(\mathbf{a})}(\varphi(\mathbf{h})) = \mathbf{0}$.

Since F is continuous at \mathbf{a} and $\lim_{\mathbf{k} \rightarrow \mathbf{0}} \psi(\mathbf{k}) = \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow \lim_{\mathbf{h} \rightarrow \mathbf{0}} \tilde{\psi}(F(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{h}) - F(\mathbf{a})) = \mathbf{0}$.

$dF_{\mathbf{a}}$ is linear \Rightarrow continuous \Rightarrow bounded $\Rightarrow \exists M, \|dF_{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{x})\| \leq M\|\mathbf{x}\|$.

Therefore, the limit of the entire expression above $\rightarrow \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow dH_{\mathbf{a}} = dG_{F(\mathbf{a})} \circ dF_{\mathbf{a}}$. \square

Theorem. Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be open and connected. $F : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$. $F'(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}$ for all $\mathbf{x} \in U$
 $\Leftrightarrow F$ is constant.

Proof. Since F is constant \Leftrightarrow each of its component functions is constant,
 and the matrix $F'(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0} \Leftrightarrow$ each of its rows is $\mathbf{0}$, we may assume $F = f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

Suppose $f'(\mathbf{x}) = \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}$, $\forall \mathbf{x} \in U$.

Given \mathbf{a} and $\mathbf{b} \in U$, let $\gamma : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow U$ be a differentiable mapping with $\gamma(0) = \mathbf{a}$, $\gamma(1) = \mathbf{b}$.

$\mathbb{R} \xrightarrow{\gamma} \mathbb{R}^n \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{R}$

If $g = f \circ \gamma : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, then

$$g'(t) = \nabla f(\gamma(t)) \cdot \gamma'(t) = 0$$

$\forall t \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow g$ is constant on $[0, 1]$, so $f(\mathbf{a}) = f(\gamma(0)) = g(0) = g(1) = f(\gamma(1)) = f(\mathbf{b})$. □

Example 1. $w = w(x, y)$, $x = x(r, \theta)$, $y = y(r, \theta)$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc} \frac{\partial w}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial w}{\partial \theta} \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{cc} \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{cc} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cc} \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{cc} \frac{\partial w}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial w}{\partial \theta} \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{cc} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} \end{array} \right]^{-1}$$

Example 2. $f(x, y, z) = 0$, $\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \neq 0 \Rightarrow z = h(x, y)$, $f(x, y, h(x, y)) \equiv 0$.

For example, can solve for $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$: $0 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x, y, h(x, y)) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} =$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} / \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}.$$

Similarly, can solve for $\frac{\partial y}{\partial z}$ and $\frac{\partial x}{\partial y}$, from $\frac{\partial}{\partial z} f(x, y(x, z), z)$ and $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} f(x(y, z), y, z)$, respectively, and show $\frac{\partial x}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -1$.

12.3.2 Mean Value Theorem

Theorem. Let $f : U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable, and \mathbf{a} and $\mathbf{b} \in U$, such that $[\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}] \subseteq U$. Then $\exists \mathbf{c} \in (\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$, such that

$$f(\mathbf{b}) - f(\mathbf{a}) = \nabla f(\mathbf{c}) \cdot (\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a}).$$

Proof. Define $\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow [\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}]$ as $\gamma(t) = \mathbf{a} + t(\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a}) = (1 - t)\mathbf{a} + t\mathbf{b}$, $t \in [0, 1]$.

Then $\gamma'(t) = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a}$. Let $g = f \circ \gamma$. $\mathbb{R} \xrightarrow{\gamma} \mathbb{R}^n \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{R}$

Since $g : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, then by single-variable MVT, $\exists \xi \in [0, 1]$, such that $g(1) - g(0) = g'(\xi)$. If $\mathbf{c} = \gamma(\xi)$, then

$$f(\mathbf{b}) - f(\mathbf{a}) = f(\gamma(1)) - f(\gamma(0)) = g(1) - g(0) = g'(\xi) =$$

$$=_{Chain\ Rule} \nabla f(\gamma(\xi)) \cdot \gamma'(\xi) = \nabla f(\mathbf{c}) \cdot (\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a}).$$

□

12.3.3 $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x})$

Theorem. Let $f : U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. If $f, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ exist and are **continuous** on U and $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}, \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}$ exist on U and are **continuous** at a , then

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}) \quad \text{on } U.$$

Proof. Consider $S_h(x, y) = f(x + h, y + h) - f(x + h, y) - f(x, y + h) + f(x, y)$.

Let $g(x, y) = f(x + h, y) - f(x, y)$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} S_h(x, y) &= f(x + h, y + h) - f(x + h, y) - f(x, y + h) + f(x, y) = g(x, y + h) - g(x, y) = \\ &= MVT = h \frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(x, y + \beta h) = h \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x + h, y + \beta h) - \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y + \beta h) \right] = \\ &= MVT = h^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right)(x + \alpha h, y + \beta h) \end{aligned}$$

where $0 < \alpha, \beta < 1$.

Let $r(x, y) = f(x, y + h) - f(x, y)$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} S_h(x, y) &= f(x + h, y + h) - f(x + h, y) - f(x, y + h) + f(x, y) = r(x + h, y) - r(x, y) = \\ &= MVT = h \frac{\partial r}{\partial x}(x + \alpha' h, y) = h \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x + \alpha' h, y + h) - \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x + \alpha' h, y) \right] = \\ &= MVT = h^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right)(x + \alpha' h, y + \beta' h) \end{aligned}$$

where $0 < \alpha', \beta' < 1$.

For each small enough $h > 0$, $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y})(x + \alpha h, y + \beta h) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x})(x + \alpha' h, y + \beta' h)$.

Since the mixed partial derivatives are continuous at $\mathbf{a} = (x, y)$, let $h \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y})(x, y) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x})(x, y). \quad \square$$

12.4 Taylor's Theorem

n -th degree Taylor polynomial of f at a ; ($h = x - a$)

$$P_n(h) = f(a) + f'(a)h + \cdots + \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}h^n$$

Mean Value Theorem ($\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, Revisited). $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Suppose that f' exists on $[a, b]$. $h = b - a$. Then $\exists \xi$ between a and b such that

$$R_0(h) = f'(\xi)h$$

$$f(a + h) = f(a) + f'(\xi)h = P_0(h) + R_0(h)$$

Proof. Need to show: $R_0(h) = f'(\xi)h$. For $t \in [0, h]$, define $R_0(t) = f(a + t) - P_0(t) = f(a + t) - f(a)$. So, $R'_0(t) = f'(a + t)$. Define $\varphi : [0, h] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$\varphi(t) = R_0(t) - \frac{R_0(h)}{h}t \quad \Rightarrow \quad \varphi(0) = \varphi(h) = 0$$

\Rightarrow By Rolle's theorem, $\exists c \in (0, h)$ such that

$$0 = \varphi'(c) = R'_0(c) - \frac{R_0(h)}{h} = f'(a + c) - \frac{R_0(h)}{h}$$

\Rightarrow For $\xi = a + c$, $R_0(h) = f'(\xi)h$. □

Taylor's Theorem ($\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$). $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Suppose that $f^{(n+1)}$ exists on $[a, b]$. $h = b - a$. Then $\exists \xi$ between a and b such that

$$R_n(h) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(\xi)}{(n+1)!}h^{n+1}.$$

$$f(a + h) = f(a) + f'(a)h + \cdots + \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}h^n + \frac{f^{(n+1)}(\xi)}{(n+1)!}h^{n+1} = P_n(h) + R_n(h).$$

Proof. Need to show: $R_n(h) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(\xi)}{(n+1)!}h^{n+1}$. For $t \in [0, h]$, define $R_n(t) = f(a + t) - P_n(t)$, and note that

$$R_n(0) = R'_n(0) = \cdots = R_n^{(n)}(0) = 0 \tag{12.3}$$

since the first n derivatives of $P_n(t)$ at 0 agree with those of f at a . Also,

$$R_n^{(n+1)}(t) = f^{(n+1)}(a + t) \tag{12.4}$$

since $P_n^{(n+1)}(t) \equiv 0$ because $P_n(t)$ is a polynomial of degree n .

Define $\varphi : [0, h] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$\varphi(t) = R_n(t) - \frac{R_n(h)}{h^{n+1}}t^{n+1} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \varphi(0) = \varphi(h) = 0$$

\Rightarrow By Rolle's theorem, $\exists c_1 \in (0, h)$ such that $\varphi'(c_1) = 0$.

It follows from (12.3) and (12.4) that

$$\varphi(0) = \varphi'(0) = \cdots = \varphi^{(n)}(0) = 0 \tag{12.5}$$

$$\varphi^{(n+1)}(t) = f^{(n+1)}(a+t) - \frac{R_n(h)}{h^{n+1}}(n+1)! \quad (12.6)$$

Therefore, we can apply Rolle's theorem to φ' on $[0, c_1]$ to obtain $c_2 \in (0, c_1)$ such that $\varphi''(c_2) = 0$.

By (12.5), φ'' satisfies the hypothesis of Rolle's theorem on $[0, c_2]$, so we can continue in this way. After $n+1$ applications of Rolle's theorem, we obtain $c_{n+1} \in (0, h)$ such that $\varphi^{(n+1)}(c_{n+1}) = 0$. From (12.6) we obtain $R_n(h) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(\xi)}{(n+1)!}h^{n+1}$ where $\xi = a + c_{n+1}$. \square

Problem (F'03, #5). Assume $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a function such that all partial derivatives of order 3 exist and are continuous. Write down (explicitly in terms of partial derivatives of f) a quadratic polynomial $P(x, y)$ in x and y such that

$$|f(x, y) - P(x, y)| \leq C(x^2 + y^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

for all (x, y) in some small neighborhood of $(0, 0)$, where C is a number that may depend on f but not on x and y . Then prove the above estimate.

Proof. Taylor expand $f(x, y)$ around $(0, 0)$:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) &= f(0, 0) + xf_x(0, 0) + yf_y(0, 0) + \frac{1}{2!}[x^2f_{xx}(0, 0) + 2xyf_{xy}(0, 0) + y^2f_{yy}(0, 0)] \\ &+ \frac{1}{3!}[x^3f_{xxx}(0, 0) + 3x^2yf_{xxy}(0, 0) + 3xy^2f_{xyy}(0, 0) + y^3f_{yyy}(0, 0)] + O(x^4) \end{aligned}$$

$$|f(x, y) - P_2(x, y)| = \left| \frac{1}{3!}[x^3f_{xxx}(\xi, \eta) + 3x^2yf_{xxy}(\xi, \eta) + 3xy^2f_{xyy}(\xi, \eta) + y^3f_{yyy}(\xi, \eta)] \right|$$

Note that $|x^3|, |x^2y|, |xy^2|, |y^3| \leq (x^2 + y^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}$. Also, since 3^{rd} order partial derivatives are continuous, $\exists C_1 \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $\max\{f_{xxx}, 3f_{xxy}, 3f_{xyy}, f_{yyy}\} < \frac{C_1}{4}$ in some nbd of $(0, 0)$.

Thus,

$$|f(x, y) - P_2(x, y)| \leq \frac{1}{3!}(x^2 + y^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}C_1 \leq C(x^2 + y^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}. \quad \square$$

Problem (F'02, #5). Suppose $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ has partial derivatives at every point bounded by $A > 0$.

(a) Show that there is an M such that

$$|f((x, y)) - f((x_0, y_0))| \leq M((x - x_0)^2 + (y - y_0)^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad \circledast$$

(b) What is the smallest value of M (in terms of A) for which this always works?

(c) Give an example where that value of M makes the inequality an equality.

Proof. (a) Since $|\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}| \leq A, |\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}| \leq A$, by the Mean Value Theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x, y) - f(x_0, y)| &\leq A|x - x_0| \\ |f(x, y) - f(x, y_0)| &\leq A|y - y_0| \\ |f(x, y) - f(x_0, y_0)| &\leq |f(x, y) - f(x_0, y)| + |f(x_0, y) - f(x_0, y_0)| \\ &\leq A(|x - x_0| + |y - y_0|) \leq A\sqrt{2}(|x - x_0|^2 + |y - y_0|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

(b) This always works for $M = A\sqrt{2}$.

(c) If $|x - x_0| = |y - y_0|$, then we have an equality in \circledast , since then

$$A(|x - x_0| + |y - y_0|) \leq A\sqrt{2}(|x - x_0|^2 + |y - y_0|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2A|x - x_0| \leq A\sqrt{2}(2|x - x_0|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2A|x - x_0| \leq 2A|x - x_0| \quad \square$$

Problem (F'03, #2). Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be infinitely differentiable function. Assume that $\forall x \in [0, 1], \exists m > 0$, such that $f^{(m)}(x) \neq 0$.

Prove that $\exists M$ such that the following stronger statement holds:

$\forall x \in [0, 1], \exists m > 0, m \leq M$ such that $f^{(m)}(x) \neq 0$.

Proof. There are uncountably many x_α 's in $[0, 1]$, and for each $x_\alpha \in [0, 1], \exists m_\alpha > 0$ such that $f^{(m_\alpha)} \neq 0$ for $[x_\alpha - \epsilon_\alpha, x_\alpha + \epsilon_\alpha]$, for some $\epsilon_\alpha > 0$ (since $f^{(m_\alpha)}$ is continuous). Let $\epsilon = \min_\alpha(\epsilon_\alpha)$. Partition $[0, 1]$ into $n = 1/\epsilon$ subintervals (since $\epsilon > 0, n < \infty$):

$$0 < \epsilon = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n = 1 - \epsilon < 1,$$

such that $x_0 = \epsilon, x_i = x_0 + i\epsilon, i = 1, \dots, n$. Thus $[0, 1]$ is covered by finitely many overlapping intervals $[x_i - \epsilon, x_i + \epsilon]$. For each $x_i, i = 1, \dots, n, \exists m_i > 0$ such that $f^{(m_i)}(x_i) \neq 0$ on $[x_i - \epsilon, x_i + \epsilon]$. Take $M = \max_{0 \leq i \leq n}(m_i)$. Thus, $\forall x \in [0, 1], \exists m > 0, m \leq M$ such that $f^{(m)}(x) \neq 0$. \square

Problem (S'03, #4). Consider the following equation for a function $F(x, y)$ on \mathbb{R}^2 :

$$\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial y^2} \quad \circledast$$

(a) Show that if a function F has the form $F(x, y) = f(x+y) + g(x-y)$ where $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are twice differentiable, then F satisfies the equation \circledast .

(b) Show that if $F(x, y) = ax^2 + bxy + cy^2$, $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$, satisfies \circledast then $F(x, y) = f(x+y) + g(x-y)$ for some polynomials f and g in one variable.

Proof. (a) Let $\xi(x, y) = x + y$, $\eta(x, y) = x - y$, so $F(x, y) = f(\xi(x, y)) + g(\eta(x, y))$. By Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} &= \frac{df}{d\xi} \cdot \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x} + \frac{dg}{d\eta} \cdot \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} = \frac{df}{d\xi} \cdot 1 + \frac{dg}{d\eta} \cdot 1 = \frac{df}{d\xi} + \frac{dg}{d\eta}, \\ \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{df}{d\xi} + \frac{dg}{d\eta} \right) = \frac{d^2 f}{d\xi^2} \cdot \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x} + \frac{d^2 g}{d\eta^2} \cdot \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} = \frac{d^2 f}{d\xi^2} + \frac{d^2 g}{d\eta^2}, \end{aligned}$$

and similarly $\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = \frac{df}{d\xi} - \frac{dg}{d\eta}$, and $\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2} = \frac{d^2 f}{d\xi^2} + \frac{d^2 g}{d\eta^2}$, and thus, $\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial y^2}$.

(b) Suppose $F(x, y) = ax^2 + bxy + cy^2$, $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ satisfies \circledast , then

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = 2ax + by \Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2} = 2a, \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = 2cy + bx \Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial y^2} = 2c \Rightarrow a = c.$$

$$F(x, y) = ax^2 + bxy + ay^2 = a(x^2 + y^2) + bxy = a \frac{(x+y)^2 + (x-y)^2}{2} + b \frac{(x+y)^2 - (x-y)^2}{4}.$$

□

12.5 Lagrange Multipliers

Theorem. Let f and g be C^1 on \mathbb{R}^2 . Suppose that f attains its maximum or minimum value on the zero set S of g at the point \mathbf{p} where $\nabla g(\mathbf{p}) \neq \mathbf{0}$. Then

$$\nabla f(\mathbf{p}) = \lambda \nabla g(\mathbf{p})$$

for some number λ .

Problem (S'03, #5). Consider the function $F(x, y) = ax^2 + 2bxy + cy^2$ on the set $A = \{(x, y) : x^2 + y^2 = 1\}$.

(a) Show that F has a maximum and minimum on A .

(b) Use Lagrange multipliers to show that if the maximum of F on A occurs at a point (x_0, y_0) , then the vector (x_0, y_0) is an eigenvector of the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix}$.

Proof. (a) Since F is continuous and the circle is closed and bounded, F attains both a maximum and minimum values on the unit circle $g(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 - 1 = 0$.

(b) Applying the above theorem, we obtain the three equations (for x, y, λ)

$$2ax + 2by = 2\lambda x, \quad 2bx + 2cy = 2\lambda y, \quad x^2 + y^2 = 1.$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{and } \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ is an eigenvector of this matrix.}$$

□

13 Successive Approximations and Implicit Functions

13.1 Contraction Mappings

$C \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$. The mapping $\varphi : C \rightarrow C$ is a **contraction mapping** with contraction constant $k < 1$ if

$$|\varphi(\mathbf{x}) - \varphi(\mathbf{y})| \leq k|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}| \quad \forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in C.$$

Contraction Lemma. *If M is complete and $\varphi : M \rightarrow M$ is a contraction mapping with $k < 1$, then φ has a unique fixed point \mathbf{x}^* .*

Proof. $|x_{n+1} - x_n| = |\varphi(x_n) - \varphi(x_{n-1})| \leq k|x_n - x_{n-1}| \leq k^n|x_1 - x_0|$.
If $m > n > 0$, then

$$\begin{aligned} |x_m - x_n| &\leq |x_m - x_{m-1}| + \cdots + |x_{n+1} - x_n| \leq (k^{m-1} + \cdots + k^n)|x_1 - x_0| \\ &\leq k^n|x_1 - x_0|(1 + k + k^2 + \cdots) \leq \frac{k^n}{1 - k}|x_1 - x_0|. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the sequence $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence, and therefore converges to a point x^* . Letting $m \rightarrow \infty$, we get

$$|x^* - x_n| \leq \frac{k^n}{1 - k}|x_1 - x_0|.$$

Since φ is contraction, it is continuous. Therefore,

$$\varphi(x^*) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(x_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{n+1} = x^*.$$

If x^{**} were another fixed point of φ , we would have $|x^* - x^{**}| = |\varphi(x^*) - \varphi(x^{**})| \leq k|x^* - x^{**}|$. Since $k < 1$, it follows that $x^* = x^{**}$, so x^* is the unique fixed point of φ . \square

13.2 Inverse Function Theorem

Lemma. ¹⁷ *Suppose $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is C^1 , $\mathbf{0} \in W$, $f(\mathbf{0}) = \mathbf{0}$, $f'(\mathbf{0}) = I$. Suppose $\|f'(\mathbf{x}) - I\| \leq \epsilon$, $\forall \mathbf{x} \in B_r$. Then*

$$B_{(1-\epsilon)r} \subset f(B_r) \subset B_{(1+\epsilon)r}. \quad (13.1)$$

If $U = B_r \cap f^{-1}(B_{(1-\epsilon)r})$, then $f : U \rightarrow B_{(1-\epsilon)r}$ is bijection, and the inverse mapping $g : V \rightarrow U$ is differentiable at $\mathbf{0}$.

Proof. $\|f'(\mathbf{x}) - I\| \leq \epsilon < 1$, $\forall \mathbf{x} \in B_r$. Apply MVT¹⁸ to $g(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{x}$. $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in B_r$, then

$$\|(f(\mathbf{b}) - \mathbf{b}) - (f(\mathbf{a}) - \mathbf{a})\| = \|g(\mathbf{b}) - g(\mathbf{a})\| \leq \|g'(\xi)\| \|\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a}\| = \|f'(\xi) - I\| \|\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a}\| \leq \epsilon \|\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a}\| \quad (13.2)$$

$$(1 - \epsilon) \|\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a}\| \leq \|f(\mathbf{b}) - f(\mathbf{a})\| \leq (1 + \epsilon) \|\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a}\| \quad (13.3)$$

The left-hand inequality shows that f is 1-1 on B_r . The right-hand inequality (with $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0}$) shows $f(B_r) \subset B_{(1+\epsilon)r}$.

¹⁷Problem F'01, # 6.

¹⁸ $f : U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is $C^1 \Rightarrow \|f(\mathbf{b}) - f(\mathbf{a})\| \leq \|\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a}\| \max_{\mathbf{x} \in L} \|f'(\mathbf{x})\|$.

To show $B_{(1-\epsilon)r} \subset f(B_r)$, we use contraction mapping theorem. Given $\mathbf{y} \in B_{(1-\epsilon)r}$, define $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ by

$$\varphi(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x} - f(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{y}.$$

We want to show that φ is a contraction mapping of B_r ; its unique fixed point will then be the desired point $\mathbf{x} \in B_r$ such that $f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{y}$.

To see that φ maps B_r into itself:

$$\|\varphi(\mathbf{x})\| \leq \|f(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{x}\| + \|\mathbf{y}\| \leq \text{(by (13.2) with } \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0}) \leq \epsilon\|\mathbf{x}\| + (1-\epsilon)r \leq \epsilon r + (1-\epsilon)r = r,$$

so if $\mathbf{x} \in B_r$, then $\varphi(\mathbf{x}) \in B_r$. Thus, $\varphi(B_r) \subseteq B_r$.

To see $\varphi : B_r \rightarrow B_r$ is a contraction mapping, note that

$$\|\varphi(\mathbf{b}) - \varphi(\mathbf{a})\| = \|f(\mathbf{b}) - f(\mathbf{a}) - (\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a})\| \leq \epsilon\|\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a}\|$$

Thus, φ has a unique fixed point \mathbf{x}^* , $\varphi(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{x}^*$, such that $f(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{y}$. From the statement of theorem, $U = B_r \cap f^{-1}(B_{(1-\epsilon)r})$. f is a bijection of U onto $B_{(1-\epsilon)r}$.

It remains to show that $g : V \rightarrow U$ is differentiable at $\mathbf{0}$, where $g(\mathbf{0}) = \mathbf{0}$. Need to show

$$\lim_{\|\mathbf{h}\| \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|g(\mathbf{h}) - g(\mathbf{0}) - \mathbf{h}\|}{\|\mathbf{h}\|} = \lim_{\|\mathbf{h}\| \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|g(\mathbf{h}) - \mathbf{h}\|}{\|\mathbf{h}\|} = 0.$$

This will prove that $g'(\mathbf{0}) = I$. Applying (13.2) with $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0}$, $\mathbf{b} = g(\mathbf{h})$, $\mathbf{h} = f(\mathbf{b})$, we get

$$\|g(\mathbf{h}) - \mathbf{h}\| \leq \epsilon\|\mathbf{b}\| \leq \epsilon\|f(\mathbf{b})\| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{1-\epsilon}\|f(\mathbf{b})\| = \frac{\epsilon}{1-\epsilon}\|\mathbf{h}\|$$

Therefore, $\lim_{\|\mathbf{h}\| \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|g(\mathbf{h}) - \mathbf{h}\|}{\|\mathbf{h}\|} = 0$, with $g'(\mathbf{0}) = I$. □

Theorem. ¹⁹Suppose $f : W \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is C^1 , $\mathbf{a} \in W$, $\mathbf{b} = f(\mathbf{a})$, and the matrix $f'(\mathbf{a})$ is nonsingular.²⁰ Then there exist²¹ open sets $U \subset W$ of \mathbf{a} and V of \mathbf{b} , such that f maps U bijectively onto V . (\exists 1-1 C^1 mapping $g : V \rightarrow W$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} g(f(\mathbf{x})) &= \mathbf{x} & \text{for } \mathbf{x} \in U, \\ f(g(\mathbf{y})) &= \mathbf{y} & \text{for } \mathbf{y} \in V. \end{aligned}$$

Also, for all $\mathbf{y} \in V$ ($\mathbf{y} = f(\mathbf{x})$), $g = f^{-1}$ satisfies $g'(\mathbf{y}) = g'(f(\mathbf{x})) = f'(\mathbf{x})^{-1}$.

Proof. Fix $\mathbf{a} \in U$ and let $\mathbf{b} = f(\mathbf{a})$. Put $T = f'(\mathbf{a})$, a matrix / linear map. Define

$$\tilde{f}(\mathbf{h}) = T^{-1}(f(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{h}) - \mathbf{b}) = T^{-1}(f(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{h}) - f(\mathbf{a}))$$

Note $\tilde{f}(\mathbf{0}) = T^{-1} \cdot (\mathbf{0}) = \mathbf{0}$;

$\tilde{f}'(\mathbf{0}) = T^{-1}f'(\mathbf{a}) = T^{-1}T = I$. Thus, by previous Lemma, $\exists U_0$ open, $\mathbf{0} \in U_0$, such that $\tilde{f} : U_0 \rightarrow V_0$ is a bijection, $\mathbf{0} \in V_0$.

\tilde{f} maps U_0 bijectively onto V_0 containing $\mathbf{0}$. Lets express f in terms of \tilde{f} .

$$f(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{h}) - f(\mathbf{a}) = T\tilde{f}(\mathbf{h}). \quad \text{Let } \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{h}:$$

$$f(\mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{a}) = T\tilde{f}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a}),$$

¹⁹ f is locally one-to-one in $E \equiv$ each point $\mathbf{x} \in E$ has a neighborhood in which f is 1-1.

²⁰Jacobian of $f = |\det f'(\mathbf{a})| = |\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}(\mathbf{a})| \neq 0$.

²¹i.e. A C^1 map $f : W \rightarrow V$ is locally invertible at $\mathbf{a} \equiv$ there exist open sets $U \subset W$ of \mathbf{a} and V of $\mathbf{b} = f(\mathbf{a})$, and a C^1 map $g : V \rightarrow U$ such that f and g are inverse to each other.

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = T\tilde{f}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a}) + f(\mathbf{a}),$$

$$f : \underbrace{U_0 + \mathbf{a}}_U \rightarrow T\tilde{f}(V_0) + f(\mathbf{a}), \quad \text{bijection.}$$

Let's compute f^{-1} :

$$\text{Let } \mathbf{y} = T\tilde{f}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a}) + f(\mathbf{a})$$

$$T\tilde{f}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a}) = \mathbf{y} - f(\mathbf{a})$$

$$\tilde{f}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a}) = T^{-1}(\mathbf{y} - f(\mathbf{a}))$$

$$\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a} = \tilde{f}^{-1}(T^{-1}(\mathbf{y} - f(\mathbf{a}))) = \tilde{g}(T^{-1}(\mathbf{y} - f(\mathbf{a})))$$

$$f^{-1}(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{x} = \tilde{g}(T^{-1}(\mathbf{y} - f(\mathbf{a}))) + \mathbf{a}$$

$$(f^{-1})'(\mathbf{y}) = (\tilde{g})'(T^{-1}(\mathbf{y} - f(\mathbf{a}))) \cdot T^{-1}$$

$$(f^{-1})'(\mathbf{b}) = (\tilde{g})'(\mathbf{0}) \cdot T^{-1} = T^{-1} = f'(\mathbf{a})^{-1}. \quad \square$$

Problem (S'02, #7; W'02, #7; F'03, #6). Suppose $F : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is C^1 and that the Jacobian matrix of F is everywhere nonsingular. Suppose that $F(\mathbf{0}) = \mathbf{0}$ and that $\|F(x, y)\| \geq 1$ for all (x, y) with $\|(x, y)\| = 1$. Denote $U = \{(x, y) : \|(x, y)\| < 1\}$.

Prove that $F(U) \supset U$.

Hint: Show that $F(U) \cap U$ is both open and closed in U .

Proof. Since U is connected, clopenness of $F(U) \cap U$ in U implies that either $F(U) \cap U = U$ or $F(U) \cap U = \phi$. Since there exists a point, namely $\mathbf{0}$ such that it is inside both U and $F(U)$, $F(U) \cap U$ cannot be empty, and thus clopenness of $F(U) \cap U$ in U would imply that $F(U) \cap U = U$ (which would mean $U \subseteq F(U)$).

1) Show $F(U) \cap U$ is **open** in U .

$F(U)$ is open in \mathbb{R}^2 . Say $y_0 \in F(U)$, $y_0 = F(x_0)$, $F'(x_0)$ invertible. By inverse function thm, F maps open set U_0 onto open set V_0 ; $x_0 \in U_0 \Rightarrow y_0 = F(x_0) \in V_0$. $y_0 \in V_0 \subseteq F(U) \Rightarrow F(U) \cap U$ is open in U .

2) Show $F(U) \cap U$ is **closed** in U .

Say $x_n \in F(U) \cap U$, $x_n \rightarrow x^* \in U$.

$x_n = F(y_n)$, $y_n \in U \subset \bar{U}$.

There is a subsequence $y_{n_k} \rightarrow y \in \bar{U}$.

Since F is continuous, $F(y_{n_k}) \rightarrow F(y) = x^*$.

$\|y\| = 1 \Rightarrow \|F(y)\| \geq 1 \Rightarrow F(y) = x^* \notin U$. Contradiction. \square

13.3 Implicit Function Theorem

$(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = (x_1, \dots, x_m, y_1, \dots, y_n)$

Theorem. Suppose $G : \mathbb{R}^{m+n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is C^1 . $G(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}) = \mathbf{0}$ for some point (\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}) . Partial derivative matrix $\frac{\partial G}{\partial \mathbf{y}}(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$ is invertible.

Then there exist open sets U of \mathbf{a} in \mathbb{R}^m and W of (\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}) in \mathbb{R}^{m+n} and a C^1 mapping $h : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, such that $\mathbf{y} = h(\mathbf{x})$ solves the equation $G(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{0}$ in W .

Example. $f(x, y, z) = 0$, $\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ can solve for $z = h(x, y)$, $f(x, y, h(x, y)) \equiv 0$.

Example. $m = n = 1$. $G(x, y) = 0$, $y = h(x) \Rightarrow G(x, h(x)) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}G(x, h(x)) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{\partial G}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial G}{\partial h}h'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow h'(x) = -\frac{\partial G}{\partial x} / \frac{\partial G}{\partial h}$, $\frac{\partial G}{\partial h} \neq 0$.

Say $G(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 - 1$, $x^2 + y^2 - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow y = \pm\sqrt{1 - x^2}$, problem at $(1, 0)$.
 $\frac{\partial G}{\partial h}$ cannot be equal to 0.

Problem (S'02, #6). Suppose $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is C^1 with $\nabla f \neq \mathbf{0}$ at $\mathbf{0}$. Show that there are two other C^1 functions $g, h : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, such that the function

$$(x, y, z) \rightarrow (f(x, y, z), g(x, y, z), h(x, y, z))$$

from \mathbb{R}^3 to \mathbb{R}^3 is one-to-one on some neighborhood of $\mathbf{0}$.

Proof. $\nabla f \neq \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow$ one of $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}$ is not 0. $F = (f, g, h)$.

$$\nabla F = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial g}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial h}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial h}{\partial z} \end{bmatrix}$$

Need to produce functions g, h such that the matrix above is invertible.

If $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(\mathbf{0}) \neq 0$, let $g(x, y, z) = z$, $h(x, y, z) = y$. Then

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad F = F(f(x, y, z), z, y).$$

Similarly, we can find a set of functions g, h by choosing a matrix in each of the other two cases, i.e. when $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(\mathbf{0}) \neq 0$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(\mathbf{0}) \neq 0$. \square

Problem (F'02, #6). Suppose $F : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is C^1 . Suppose for some $v_0 \in \mathbb{R}^3$ and $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^2$ that $F(v_0) = x_0$ and $F'(v_0) : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is onto. Show that there is a C^1 function $\gamma : (-\epsilon, \epsilon) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ for some $\epsilon > 0$, such that

- (i) $\gamma'(0) \neq \mathbf{0} \in \mathbb{R}^3$, and
- (ii) $F(\gamma(t)) = x_0$ for all $t \in (-\epsilon, \epsilon)$.

Proof. Since $F'(v_0)$ is onto, the matrix $F'(v_0)$ has rank 2. So, 2 of the 3 columns of $F'(v_0)$ are linearly independent.

$$F'(v_0) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_3} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_3} \end{bmatrix}_{v_0}.$$

Assume the last two columns are linearly independent.

Consider the function $G(x_1, x_2, x_3) = F(x_1, x_2, x_3) - x_0$. Write $(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (s_1, s_2)$ where $s_1 = x_1$, $s_2 = (x_2, x_3)$. Write $v_0 = (u_1, u_2)$. Then $G(u_1, u_2) = 0$ and $\frac{\partial G}{\partial s_2}(v_0)$ is invertible. By Implicit Function Theorem, $\exists \epsilon > 0$ and $h \in C^1$, such that $h : (u_1 - \epsilon, u_1 + \epsilon) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ and $G(s_1, h(s_1)) = 0$, $\forall s_1 \in (u_1 - \epsilon, u_1 + \epsilon)$.
 $\Rightarrow F(s_1, h(s_1)) = x_0$, $\forall s_1 \in (u_1 - \epsilon, u_1 + \epsilon)$.

Define $\gamma(t) : (-\epsilon, \epsilon) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ by $\gamma(t) = (u_1 + t, h(u_1 + t))$. Then $\gamma(t)$ is a differentiable curve satisfying

- (i) $\gamma'(t) = (1, h'(u_1 + t)) \neq \mathbf{0}$,
- (ii) $F(\gamma(t)) = x_0$ for all $t \in (-\epsilon, \epsilon)$.

\square

13.4 Differentiation Under Integral Sign

Problem (W'02, #1). $f : [a, b] \times [c, d] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ($(x, y) \rightarrow f(x, y)$). Suppose $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ exists on $[a, b] \times (c, d)$ and extends to a continuous function on $[a, b] \times [c, d]$. Let

$$F(y) = \int_a^b f(x, y) dx.$$

Then F is differentiable in $[a, b]$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dy} F(y) &= \int_a^b \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) dx. \\ \Rightarrow \quad \frac{d}{dy} \int_a^b f(x, y) dx &= \int_a^b \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{F(y+h) - F(y)}{h} - \int_a^b \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) dx \right| &= \left| \int_a^b \left[\frac{f(x, y+h) - f(x, y)}{h} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) \right] dx \right| \\ &\leq \int_a^b \left| \frac{f(x, y+h) - f(x, y)}{h} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) \right| dx \leq \Rightarrow \textcircled{*} \end{aligned}$$

By MVT, $\exists c, 0 < c < 1$, such that

$$\frac{f(x, y+h) - f(x, y)}{h} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y+ch).$$

$$\|(x, y+ch) - (x, y)\| = c|h| \leq h.$$

Since $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ is continuous on $[a, b] \times [c, d] \Rightarrow \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ is uniformly continuous on $[a, b] \times [c, d]$.

Choose δ such that $\|(x, y) - (x', y')\| \leq \delta \Rightarrow \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x', y') - \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) \right| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{b-a}$

$$\Rightarrow \textcircled{*} = \int_a^b \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y+ch) - \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) \right| dx \leq \int_a^b \frac{\epsilon}{b-a} dx = (b-a) \frac{\epsilon}{b-a} = \epsilon.$$

□