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1 Single-Variable Differential Calculus

In this chapter, we consider mainly functions of the form $f: I \to \mathbb{R}$, where I is an interval, e.g., (a,b), [a,b], (a,b), (a,∞) , \mathbb{R} . This is the function we have in mind unless otherwise stated.

Definition 1.1 (Differentiability). We say f is **differentiable at** $x \in I$ if the limit

$$f'(x) := \lim_{t \to x} \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

exists. In this case, we call f'(x) the derivative of f at x. Moreover:

- We say that f is **differentiable** if f'(x) exists for each $x \in I$.
- We say f is **continuously differentiable** $(f \in C^1)$ if $f' : I \to \mathbb{R}$ is continuous.

Example 1.2.

- f(x) = |x|. Differentiable on $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$.
- $f(x) = \begin{cases} x \sin \frac{1}{x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$. Continuous but not differentiable at 0.
- $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$. Differentiable everywhere (in particular at 0), but $f \notin C^1$.

Proposition 1.3 (Rules for computing derivatives).

- (i) Linearity. (af + bg)' = af' + bg' (if f' and g' exist, such requirements are hereafter omitted).
- (ii) Product rule. (fg)' = f'g + fg'.
- (iii) Quotient rule. $(f/g)' = (f'g fg')/g^2$.
- (iv) Chain rule. $(f \circ g)' = (f' \circ g) \cdot g'$.

¹Low dhigh minus high dlow. Not Haidilao...

Proof. We prove the quotient rule; the remaining are left as exercises. Starting from the definition

$$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)'(x) = \lim_{t \to x} \frac{\frac{f}{g}(t) - \frac{f}{g}(x)}{t - x}$$

$$= \lim_{t \to x} \frac{\frac{f(t)}{f(t)} + \frac{f(x)}{g(t)} - \frac{f(x)}{g(t)} + \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}}{t - x}.$$

Note that

$$\frac{\frac{f(x)}{g(t)} + \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}}{t - x} = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)g(t)} \frac{g(x) - g(t)}{t - x}$$

and we have

$$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)'(x) = \frac{f'(x)}{g(x)} - \frac{f(x)g'(x)}{g^2(x)}$$

Theorem 1.4. If f is differentiable at x then f is continuous at x.

Proof. Note that

$$\lim_{t \to x} f(t) - f(x) = \lim_{t \to x} \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} (t - x) = f'(x) \cdot 0 = 0.$$

1.1 The Mean Value Theorem

Lemma 1.5. Suppose $f:[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$ has a local maximum or minimum at $x \in (a,b)$. If f'(x) exists, then f'(x) = 0.

Proof. From the definition of the derivative, consider the limits from the left and right; one is non-positive and the other is non-negative.

Theorem 1.6 (Rolle's Theorem). Suppose $f : [a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$ is continuous on [a,b], differentiable on (a,b), and such that f(a) = f(b). Then there exists $x \in (a,b)$ such that f'(x) = 0.

Proof. Consider the global maximum or minimum (exist since f is a continuous function defined on a compact set) and apply the previous lemma. (If both the maximum and minimum is at a or b, f is constant.)

Theorem 1.7 (Mean Value Theorem). Let $f : [a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$ be such that f is continuous on [a,b] and differentiable on (a,b). Then there exists $x \in (a,b)$ such that f(b) - f(a) = f'(x)(b-a).

Proof. Apply Rolle's to
$$\tilde{f} = f - [f(b) - f(a)] \cdot \frac{x-a}{b-a}$$
.

Theorem 1.8. Let $f:(a,b) \to \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable.

- (a) if f' = 0, then f is constant.
- (b) if $f' \ge 0$, then f is increasing.
- (c) if $f' \leq 0$, then f is decreasing.

Proof. Apply the mean value theorem.

Theorem 1.9 (The Intermediate Value Property of Derivatives). Let $f : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable² and suppose $f'(a) < \lambda < f'(b)$ Then there exists $x \in (a, b)$ $f'(a) = \lambda$.

Proof (à la Pugh). Slide a small secant of length so small that the slope around a and b is separated also by λ . By continuity of the slope, there exists a secant between a and b with slope λ . Apply the mean value theorem to this slope. \Box **Proof** (à la Joe/Rudin). We start with $\lambda = 0$. Then f'(a), $f'(b) \neq 0$ and the global

min/max of f cannot be at the endpoints. At the global extrema we have the desired result. When $\lambda \neq 0$, consider $\tilde{f} := f - \lambda x$.

Example 1.10. Consider

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin(1/x), & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}.$$

We have

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x \sin(1/x) = \cos(1/x), & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

which has the intermediate value property.

Theorem 1.11 (Generalized Mean Value Theorem). Let $f, g : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$ be continuous on [a, b] and differentiable on (a, b). Then there exists $x \in (a, b)$ such that

$$(f(a) - f(b))g'(x) = (g(a) - g(b))f'(x).$$

Remark 1.12. When the above is not zero,

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

Proof. Define

$$h(t) \coloneqq \big(f(b) - f(a)\big)g(t) - \big(g(b) - g(a)\big)f(t).$$

Note that

$$h(a) = f(b)g(a) - f(a)g(b) = h(b)$$

and apply Rolle's.

1.2 L'Hôpital's Rule

Theorem 1.13 (L'Hôpital's Rule, a particular case). Let $f, g : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$ be continuous on [a, b] and differentiable on (a, b). If $g(x) \neq 0$ in a neighborhood of a and f(x) = g(x) = 0, then

$$\lim_{x \to a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \to a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)},$$

if the last limit exists.

Proof. Consider some small $\delta > 0$. The generalized MVT gives some $x \in (a, a+\delta)$ such that

$$\frac{f(a+\delta)}{g(a+\delta)} = \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} \approx \lim_{t \to a} \frac{f'(t)}{g'(t)},$$

where the last approximation follows from the existence of the limit. Note that as $\delta \to 0$, $x \to a$, and the approximation error shrinks to 0.

Refer to Rudin or something for the general case.

1.3 Higher Derivatives

If $f: I \to \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable, then we can define the second derivative f'' := (f')' if f' is differentiable. Higher derivatives can be defined similarly. We usually write $f^{(n)}$ for the n-th derivative of f.

Example 1.14. $L(x) = f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x - x_0)$ is a (first order) linear approximation of f at x_0 . How good is this approximation? A first answer is

$$f(x) = L(x) + o(|x - x_0|),$$

since we have as $x \to x_0$ that

$$\frac{f(x) - L(x)}{x - x_0} = \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0} - f'(x_0) \longrightarrow 0.$$

But can we say even more about the quality of the approximation? – Yes, if f is twice differentiable.

Proposition 1.15 (First-order Taylor's Theorem). *Suppose* f' *exists and is continuous on* [a,b] *and* f'' *exists on* (a,b). *Let* $x_0, x \in [a,b]$ *with* $x_0 \neq x$. *Then*

$$f(x) = f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x - x_0) + \frac{1}{2}f''(y)(x - x_0)^2,$$

where y is between x_0 and x. In particular, we have

$$|f(x) - f(x_0) - f'(x_0)(x - x_0)| \le \frac{1}{2} \sup_{y \in (a,b)} |f''(y)| \cdot |x - x_0|^2.$$

Proof. Find M such that we have

$$f(x) = f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x - x_0) + \frac{M}{2}(x - x_0)^2.$$

We need only find y such that M = f''(y). Define

$$g(t) := f(t) - f(x_0) - f'(x_0)(t - x_0) - \frac{M}{2}(t - x_0)^2.$$

Note that g''(t) = f''(t) - M, so we need only find a point at which g'' vanishes. Since $g(x_0) = g(x) = 0$, by the MVT there exists y' between x_0 and x such that g(y') = 0. Observe that $g'(x_0) = 0$, and so by the MVT again, there exists y between x_0 and y' (and by extension between x_0 and x) such that g''(y) = 0.

The more general story: given $f : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$ and $x_0 \in [a, b]$, we may define

$$P_{0}(x) \coloneqq f(x_{0}),$$

$$P_{1}(x) \coloneqq f(x_{0}) + f'(x_{0})(x - x_{0}),$$

$$P_{2}(x) \coloneqq f(x_{0}) + f'(x_{0})(x - x_{0}) + \frac{1}{2}f''(x_{0})(x - x_{0})^{2},$$

$$\vdots$$

$$P_{n}(x) \coloneqq \sum_{k=0}^{n} \frac{f^{(k)}(x_{0})}{k!} (x - x_{0})^{k},$$

when the corresponding derivatives exist. Note that $P_n(x)$ is the unique degree n polynomial such that $P_n^{(k)}(x_0) = f^{(k)}(x_0)$ for k = 1, ..., n.

Theorem 1.16 (Taylor's Theorem). *Let* $f : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$ *be such that*

- $f^{(k)}$ exists on [a,b] for $k=1,\ldots,n$; and
- $f^{(n+1)}$ exists on (a,b).

Then, for any $x_0, x \in [a, b]$ with $x_0 \neq x$, there exists y between x_0 and x such that

$$f(x) = P_n(x) + \frac{f^{(n+1)}(y)}{(n+1)!} (x - x_0)^{n+1}.$$

for some y between x_0 and x.

We proof the case n = 2, the same idea can be used to prove the general case.

Proof. Define

$$g(t) = f(t) - P_2(t) - \frac{M}{6}(t - x_0)^3.$$

Since g''' = f''' - M, we need only find y such that g'''(y) = 0. Note that $g(x_0) = g(x) = 0$, and so by the MVT there exists y' between x_0 and x such that g'(y') = 0. Next, note that $g'(x_0) = 0$, and so by the MVT there exists y'' between x_0 and y' such that g''(y'') = 0. Finally, note that $g''(x_0) = 0$, and so by the MVT there exists y between x_0 and y'' such that g'''(y) = 0.

2 Multivariable Differential Calculus

Some remainders about \mathbb{R}^n :

- $\mathbb{R}^n = \{x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) : x_i \in \mathbb{R}\}.$
- \mathbb{R}^n is a vector space, with canonical basis $\{e_i, \dots, e_n\}$.
- \mathbb{R}^n comes with an inner product $\langle x, y \rangle = x \cdot y = \sum x_i y_i$, a norm $|x| = \sqrt{x \cdot x} = (\sum x_i y_i)^{1/2}$, and a metric d(x, y) = |x y|.

2.1 Higher Dimensional Codomains

Consider a function $f : \mathbb{R} \supset I \to \mathbb{R}^n$.

Definition 2.1. f is differentiable at x if the limit

$$f'(x) := \lim_{t \to x} \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x}$$

exists.

Remark 2.2. We may write $f(t) = (f_1(t), \dots, f_n(t))$, and $f'(x) = (f'_1(x), \dots, f'_n(x))$, since a sequence $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ converges if and only if each of its components converges.

Theorem 2.3. We have the following analog of the MVT:

$$|f(b) - f(a)| \le |f'(t)| \cdot |b - a|.$$

for some t between a and b.

Proof. Assume a < b. Define

$$h(t) := \langle f(b) - f(a), f(t) \rangle$$
.

The MVT gives

$$h(b) - h(a) = h'(t)(b - a) = \langle f(b) - f(a), f'(t) \rangle (b - a)$$

$$\leq (b - a)|f(b) - f(a)||f'(t)|,$$

where the last inequality follows from the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality. Noting that

$$h(b) - h(a) = |f(b) - f(a)|^2$$
,

we have the desired result.

2.2 Higher Dimensional Domain

We next consider functions $f: U \to \mathbb{R}$, where $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is open.

Definition 2.4 (Partial Derivatives).

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(x) = D_i f(x) := \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(x + he_i) - f(x)}{h}.$$

Definition 2.5 (Directional Derivatives). Fix $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

$$= D_i u f(x) := \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(x + hu) - f(x)}{h}.$$

2.2.1 The Derivative

Intuition: A function is differentiable if a first-order Taylor expansion holds. That is, if f is "well-approximated" by a linear function.

Definition 2.6. We denote the set of all linear maps from \mathbb{R}^n to \mathbb{R} as $L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R})$.

Definition 2.7 (The Derivative). A function f is differentiable at x if there exists a linear map $T \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R})$ such that

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x) - T(h)}{|h|} = 0.$$

In this case we write Df(x) = T. In other words, f(x + h) = f(x) + Df(x)(h) + o(|h|).

Remark 2.8.

• If f is differentiable, then

$$Df: U \longrightarrow L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}).$$

• If is easy to check that Df is well defined, that is, there is at most one T such that the limit holds.

We may think of the linear map $T: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$ as

$$T(u) = \langle u, v \rangle, \tag{1}$$

where $v := (Te_1, \dots Te_n)$.

Definition 2.9 (The Gradient). If f is differentiable at x, we define $\nabla f(x) = v$, where v satisfies (1). In other words,

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x) - \langle \nabla f(x), h \rangle}{|h|} = 0.$$

Theorem 2.10. If f is differentiable at x, then $D_u f(x)$ exists for all $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $D_u f(x) = D f(x) u = \langle \nabla f(x), u \rangle$.

Proof. Note that as $t \to 0$, we have

$$\left| \frac{f(x+tu) - f(x)}{t} - Df(x)u \right| = \left| \frac{f(x+tu) - f(x) - Df(x)(tu)}{t} \right|$$
$$= \left| \frac{f(x+tu) - f(x) - Df(x)(tu)}{|tu|} \right| \cdot |u| \longrightarrow 0.$$

Remark 2.11. In particular we have $D_i f(x) = D_{e_i} f(x) = D f(x) e_i = \langle \nabla f(x), e_i \rangle$. In other words, if f is differentiable, then $\nabla f(x) = (D_1 f, \dots, D_n f)$.

Remark 2.12.

- Differentiability holds if and only if the gradient exists.
- Differentiability implies the existence of directional derivatives, which then implies the existence of partial derivatives. The converse implications are not true.

Example 2.13. Consider

$$f(x_1, x_2) := \begin{cases} \frac{x_1 x_2}{x_1^2 + x_2^2}, & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}.$$

It is easy to see that $D_1 f(0) = D_2 f(0) = 0$ but $D_{(1,1)} f(0)$ does not exist. Indeed, f is not even continuous on the line t(1,1).

Example 2.14. Consider

$$f(x_1, x_2) := \begin{cases} \frac{x_1^3}{x_1^2 + x_2^2}, & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}.$$

Note that

$$D_u f(0) = \lim_{t \to 0} \frac{t^3 u_1^3}{t^2 (u_1^2 + u_2^2)} \cdot \frac{1}{t} = \frac{u_1^3}{u_1^2 + u_2^2}.$$

However, Df(0) cannot exist, since the above mapping is not linear.

Theorem 2.15. If the partial derivatives $D_1 f, ..., D_n f$ exist and are continuous (in a neighborhood of x), then f is differentiable at x.

Proof. Fix arbitrary $x \in E$ and define $Ah = \sum D_i f(x) h_i$. We write $\omega_k := \sum_{i=1}^k h_i e_i$ for k = 1, ..., n and $\omega_0 := x$. Note that $\omega_n = h$. By the MVT we can find δ_k between 0 and h_k such that

$$f(x+h) - f(x) - Ah = \sum_{k=1}^{n} f(x+\omega_k) - f(x+\omega_{k-1}) - D_k f(x) h_k$$
$$= \sum_{k=1}^{n} h_k [D_k(x+\omega_k + \delta_i e_i) - D_k f(x)],$$

which by continuity of D_i is sublinear.

2.3 Extension to Functions with Higher Dimensional Codomains

Immediate.

We have

$$Df(x) \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m), \quad \mathbb{R}^n \ni h \longmapsto Df(x) \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m),$$

and

$$\mathrm{D}f:\mathcal{U}\longmapsto L(\mathbb{R}^n,\mathbb{R}^m).$$

Note that we may identify $T \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$ with a unique matrix $A = [Te_1, \dots, Te_n]$ such that we have Th = Ah for each h.

Definition 2.16. If f is differentiable at x, we can define $[Df(x)] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ to be the unique matrix such that

$$Df(x)h = [Df(x)]h.$$

This is called the **Jacobian matrix**, and its determinant is called the **Jacobian**. More generally, for $T \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$, we use [T] to denote the corresponding matrix.

Theorem 2.17. If Df(x) exists, so do $D_i f_i$, and we have

$$[Df(x)] = [D_i f_j] = [\nabla f_1(x) \dots \nabla f_m(x)]^{\mathsf{T}}.$$

It suffices to prove the following stronger proposition:

Proposition 2.18. The function f is differentiable at x if and only if each f_i is differentiable at x. In this case,

$$Df(x)h = (Df_1h, \dots, Df_m(x)h) = (\langle \nabla f_1(x), h \rangle, \dots, \langle \nabla f_m(x), h \rangle) = [Df(x)]h.$$

Proof. Suppose f_i is differentiable. Define $T \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$ by the formula

$$Th = (Df_1h, \ldots, Df_m(x)h).$$

Note that

$$\frac{|f(x+h)-f(x)-Th|}{|h|} = \left(\sum \frac{|f_i(x+h)-f_i(x)-Df_i(x)h|^2}{|h|}\right)^{1/2} \longrightarrow 0.$$

The other direction is left as an exercise.

Corollary 2.19. If $D_j f_i$ all exist and are continuous in a neighborhood of x, then f is differentiable at x.

2.4 The Chain Rule

Consider

$$\mathbb{R}^n \supset \mathcal{U} \xrightarrow{g} \mathbb{R}^m \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{R}^k.$$

Theorem 2.20 (Chain Rule). If g is differentiable at x and f is differentiable at g(x), then $f \circ g$ is differentiable at x and

$$D(f \circ g)(x) = Df(g(x)) \circ Dg(x).$$

A formal calculation: We have

$$f \circ g(x+h) = f \circ g(x) + \mathrm{D}f(g(x)) \big(g(x+h) - g(x) \big) + o \big(g(x+h) - g(x) \big)$$
$$= f \circ g(x) + \mathrm{D}f(g(x)) \big(\mathrm{D}g(x)h + o(|h|) \big) + o(|h|)$$
$$= f \circ g(x) + \mathrm{D}f(g(x)) \big(\mathrm{D}g(x)h \big) + o(|h|).$$

³In math, "formal calculation" often means calculation that is "systematic but without rigorous justification."

Proof. For small $h \in \mathbb{R}^p$, we write

$$g(x+h) = g(x) + Bh + R_g,$$

where B = Dg(x) and $\lim_{h\to 0} R_g/h = 0$. Similarly, we write

$$f\circ g(x+h)=f(g(x)+Bh+R_g)=f\circ g(x)+ABh+AR_g+R_f,$$

where $A = \mathrm{D} f(g(x))$ and $\lim_{h\to 0} R_f/(Bh+R_g) \to 0$. It remains to note that the last two terms are sublinear.

2.5 Continuity of the Derivative

Let $f: \mathbb{R}^n \supset \mathcal{U} \to \mathbb{R}^M$, where \mathcal{U} is open. Recall that if f is differentiable, we have defined

- $\mathcal{U} \ni x \to \mathrm{D} f(x) \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m).$
- $\mathcal{U} \ni x \to [\mathrm{D}f(x)] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$.
- $\mathcal{U} \ni x \to D_i f_i(x) \in \mathbb{R}, i = 1, \dots, m, j = 1, \dots, n.$

Definition 2.21. For $T \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$, we define the operator norm

$$||T|| = \sup_{|v|=1} |Tv| = \sup_{|v| \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}} \frac{|Tv|}{|v|}.$$

This gives rise to the standard norm induced metric: for $T, S \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$, we have

$$d(T,S) = ||T - S||.$$

Definition 2.22. For $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, we define the operator norm $||A||_{\text{op}} = \sup_{|v|} |Av|$. Thus $||T|| = ||[A]||_{\text{op}}$.

Definition 2.23. For $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, we define the Frobenius norm $||A||_F = \left(\sum_{i,j} A_{ij}^2\right)^{1/2}$.

Proposition 2.24. The following statements are equivalent:

- $x \mapsto Df(x)$ is continuous (wrt d).
- $x \mapsto [Df(x)]$ is continuous (wrt d_{op}).
- $x \mapsto [Df(x)]$ is continuous (wrt d_F).
- Each $x \mapsto D_j f_i(x)$ is continuous.

Definition 2.25. The function f is C^1 if the above equivalent conditions hold.

2.6 The Inverse Function Theorem

Theorem 2.26 (The Inverse Function Theorem). Let $f : \mathbb{R}^n \supset E \to \mathbb{R}^n$ be C^1 , where E is open. Suppose $x_0 \in E$ and $Df(x_0)$ is invertible. Then there exists a neighborhood U of x_0 such that f is a bijection from U to V := f(U), and $f^{-1} : V \to U$ is C^1 with derivative $D(f^{-1}(y)) = [Df(f^{-1}(y))]^{-1}$.

Remark 2.27.

- Thus if the first order Taylor expansion is invertible, then f is invertible locally.
- Consider the identities

$$x = f^{-1}(f(x)), y = f(f^{-1}(y)).$$

Differentiating

$$I = Df^{-1}(f(x)) \circ Df(x), \quad I = Df(f^{-1}(y)) \circ Df^{-1}(y).$$

This shows that $D(f^{-1}(y))$ and $Df(f^{-1}(x))$ are inverses of each other, provided that the functions are differentiable.

• Remember the one-dimensional case! We have that $(f^{-1})' = 1/f'$:

Proof (Inverse Function Theorem, n = 1). Let $Df(x_0) \in L(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ be invertible. Then $f'(x_0) \neq 0$, say $f'(x_0) > 0$ without loss of generality. By continuity of f', there exists an open interval U containing x_0 such that f' > 0 on U. Thus f is strictly increasing and thus one-to-one on U. It is easy to verify that V := f(U) = (f(a), f(b)), so V is open.

Next, we show that f^{-1} is continuous. For that, consider sequence $y_k \to y$. We seek to show that $f^{-1}(y_k) \to f^{-1}(y)$. Equivalently, given $f(x_k) \to f(x)$, we show $x_k \to x$. To that end, suppose not. Then, without loss of generality, there exists infinitely many x_k such that $x_k > x + \epsilon$ for some ϵ . Thus $f(x_k) > f(x + \epsilon) > f(x)$, a contradiction.

Finally, we show that f^{-1} is differentiable. Write $x := f^{-1}(y)$ and $f^{-1}(y+h) = x+k$, that is, define $k := f^{-1}(y+h) - f^{-1}(y)$. We have then that h = f(x+k) - f(x). Then as $h \to 0$, we have $\lim_{h\to 0} k = 0$, by the continuity of f^{-1} , and so

$$\frac{f^{-1}(y+h)-f^{-1}(y)}{h}=\frac{k}{f(x+h)-f(x)}\longrightarrow \frac{1}{f'(x)}.$$

Before the general proof, we need the following result:

Theorem 2.28 (Contraction Mapping). Let (X, d) be a complete metric space. Let $\phi: X \to X$ be a **contraction**, that is, there exists c < 1 such that

$$d(\phi(x), \phi(y)) \le cd(x, y).$$

Then, there is a unique fixed point of ϕ *.*

Proof. Pick any $x_0 \in X$. Define $x_n := \phi(x_{n-1})$ for $n \ge 1$. Note that

$$\phi(x_n, x_{n-1}) \le c^n \phi(x_1, x_0).$$

Thus, for n > m, we have

$$d(x_n, x_m) \le \sum_{k=m+1}^n d(x_k, x_{k-1}) \le d(x_1, x_0) \sum_{k=m+1}^n c^{k-1}.$$

Since $\sum c^j$ is a converging series, the last term tends to 0 and so (x_n) is Cauchy. Then, setting $x = \lim x_n$, we have

$$\phi(x) = \lim \phi(x_n) = \lim x_{n+1} = x.$$

Uniqueness follows from the contraction property.

We may now proceed with the general proof of the Inverse Function Theorem. We recall first the result:

Theorem 2.29 (The Inverse Function Theorem). Let $f : \mathbb{R}^n \supset E \to \mathbb{R}^n$ be C^1 , where E is open. Suppose $x_0 \in E$ and $Df(x_0)$ is invertible. Then there exists a neighborhood U of x_0 such that f is a bijection from U to V := f(U), and $f^{-1} : V \to U$ is C^1 with derivative $D(f^{-1}(y)) = [Df(f^{-1}(y))]^{-1}$.

Proof (Inverse Function Theorem, the General Case).

Step 1: Local Invertibility. Choose δ small enough that

- $\|\mathbf{D}f(x)^{-1}\|$ is bounded in $B_{\delta}(x_0)$.
- $\|Df(x) Df(x')\|$ is "really small" if $x, x' \in B_{\delta}(x_0)$.

⁴Here, we used the fact that inversion is a continuous operation.

We check that f is injective on $U := B_{\delta}(x)$. Note that f(x) = y if and only if $Df(x_0)^{-1}(y - f(x)) = 0$, which is equivalent to x being a fixed point of the function

$$\phi_{y}(x) := x + Df(x_0)^{-1} (y - f(x)).$$

Thus, to prove injectivity, we need only show that ϕ_v is a contraction. Observe that

$$D\phi_y(x) = I - Df(x_0)^{-1}Df(x) = Df(x_0)^{-1}[Df(x_0) - Df(x)].$$

Then,

$$\|D\phi_y(x)\| \le \|Df(x_0)^{-1}\| \|Df(x_0) - Df(x)\|$$

can be made arbitrarily small, and in particular smaller than 1/2, by choosing δ small enough. The function ϕ_y is then a contraction. While the image of ϕ_y may not be a subset of its domain U (and so Banach contraction does not apply), the same argument in the proof of the Banach contraction theorem shows that ϕ_y has at most one fixed point, if any, in U. Injectivity of f in U thus follows.

Set V := f(U). Note that f^{-1} is well defined on V.

Step 2: *V* is open. Fix $f(x_0) \in V$. Pick r > 0 such that $B_r(x_0) \subset U$. Note that

$$|x - x_0| \le ||Df(x_0)^{-1}|||f(x) - f(x_0)|.$$

Thus for y = f(x) within $r/2 \|Df(x_0)^{-1}\|$ of $f(x_0)$, we have $x \in U$ and so $y \in V$.

Step 3: f^{-1} **is continuous** (**Lipschitz**). Recall that $\phi_y(x)$ is a contraction in x with Lipschitz constant 1/2, and note that it is also Lipschitz in y, with Lipschitz constant say C. From

$$x - x' = \phi_y(x) - \phi_{y'}(x') = \phi_y(x) - \phi_y(x') + \phi_y(x') - \phi_{y'}(x')$$

we thus know

$$|x - x'| \le \frac{1}{2}|x - x'| + C|y - y'|.$$

Then,

$$\left|f^{-1}(y) - f^{-1}(y')\right| = |x - x'| \le 2C|y - y'|$$

and f^{-1} is Lipschitz.

Step 4: The formula for Df^{-1} . Write y = f(x). Set $h = f^{-1}(y+k) - f^{-1}(y)$. Note that $f^{-1}(y+k) = x + h$ and so k = f(x+h) - f(x). We have then that

$$\begin{split} & \frac{\left| f^{-1}(y+k) - f^{-1}(y) - \mathrm{D}f(x)^{-1}k \right|}{|k|} \\ & = \frac{\left| h - \mathrm{D}f(x)^{-1} \left(f(x+h) - f(x) \right) \right|}{|f(x+h) - f(x)|} \\ & \leq \frac{\left\| \mathrm{D}f(x)^{-1} \right\| \left\| \mathrm{D}f(x)h - f(x+h) + f(x) \right\|}{|h|} \cdot \frac{|h|}{|f(x+h) - f(x)|}. \end{split}$$

Note that the first term tends to 0 and the second is bounded. We have established then that that $Df^{-1}(y) = Df(x)^{-1}$ is continuous. It remains to note that as a composition of continuous functions, Df^{-1} is continuous.

2.7 The Implicit Function Theorem

Example 2.30. Consider function f and the equation f(x, y) = 0. What does it mean to "solve for x"? We seek a function g such that f(g(y), y) = 0.

We will deal with the more general case of $f: \mathbb{R}^{n+m} \supset E \to \mathbb{R}^n$. If f is differentiable at (x, y), then $\mathrm{D} f(x, y) \in L(\mathbb{R}^{n+m}, \mathbb{R}^n)$. For $(h, k) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+m}$, then $\mathrm{D} f(x, y)(h, k) \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Write $\mathrm{D}_x f(x, y)h = \mathrm{D} f(x, y)(h, 0)$ and $\mathrm{D}_y f(x, y)k = \mathrm{D} f(x, y)(0, k)$. Note that $\mathrm{D}_x f \in (\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n)$ and $\mathrm{D}_y f \in (\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{R}^m)$.

Theorem 2.31 (Implicit Function Theorem). Let $f: \mathbb{R}^{n+m} \supset E \to \mathbb{R}^n$. Suppose f is C^1 in a neighborhood of some point (x_0, y_0) such that $f(x_0, y_0) = 0$. If $D_x f(x_0, y_0)$ is invertible, then there exists a neighborhood U of x_0 and a neighborhood V of y_0 such that for each $y \in V$, there exist a unique x such that f(x, y) = 0. Moreover, the function g such that f(g(y), y) = 0 is C^1 , with $Dg(y) = -D_x f(g(y), y)^{-1}D_y f(g(y), y)$.

Remark 2.32.

- Consider the linear map $f(x, y) = A_x x + A_y y$. The condition f(x, y) = 0 is equivalent to $A_x x = -A_y y$. If A_x is invertible, then we have $g(y) = -A_x^{-1}A_y y$.
- If h(y) := f(g(y), y) = 0, then $Dh(y) = D_x f(g(y), y) Dg(y) + D_y f(g(y), y) = 0$, giving $Dg = -(D_x f)^{-1} D_y f$.

• Remember the case of n = 1: when the partial derivative in the direction of x is nonzero, we can solve for x locally.

Proof. Define $F: E \to \mathbb{R}^{n+m}$ by F(x, y) = (f(x, y), y). The Jacobian matrix of F at (x_0, y_0) is

$$[DF(x_0, y_0)] = \begin{bmatrix} D_x f(x_0, y_0) & D_y f(x_0, y_0) \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}.$$

It turns out that

$$\det DF(x_0, y_0) = \det D_x f(x_0, y_0) \det I - \det 0 \det D_y f(x_0, y_0) = \det D_x f(x_0, y_0) \neq 0.$$

By the Inverse Function Theorem, then, F is invertible in a neighborhood of (x_0, y_0) . By the construction of F, there then exists G such that $(G(x, y), y) = F^{-1}(x, y)$. Define then g(y) := G(0, y). We have

$$f(g(y), y) = f(G(0, y), y) = f(F^{-1}(0, y)) = 0.$$

Remark 2.33 (Using the Implicit Function Theorem). Consider the function $f: \mathbb{R}^{n+m} \to \mathbb{R}^n$ with f(a,b) = 0. Suppose we want to solve the equation f(x,y) = 0 for x in terms of y. This may be thought of as solving a system of n equations in n unknowns. We seek to find $g: V \to \mathbb{R}^n$ such that f(g(y), y) = 0.

By the Implicit Function Theorem, such g exists if $D_x f(a, b)$ is invertible (and $f \in C^1$). Intuition: if the Jacobian of f is invertible, then we change the output of f to set f = 0 no matter how g is changed.

Example 2.34. Consider $f: \mathbb{R}^{2+3} \to \mathbb{R}^2$ with

$$f_1 := 2e^{x_1} + x_2y_1 - 4y_2 + 3$$
, $f_2 = x_2\cos(x_1) - 6x_1 + 2y_1 - y_3$.

Set a = (0, 1) and b = (3, 2, 7). Note that we have f(a, b) = 0. We have

$$D_x f(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x^{x_1} & y_1 \\ -x_2 \sin(x_1) & \cos(x_1) \end{bmatrix}.$$

At (a,b),

$$\det D_x f(a, b) = \det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -6 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 20 \neq 0.$$

Then

$$Dg(b) = -\left[D_x f(a, b)\right]^{-1} \left[D_y f(x, b)\right] = \begin{bmatrix} 1/4 & 1/5 & -3/20 \\ -1/2 & 6/5 & 1/10 \end{bmatrix},$$

using which we can compute the first order approximation of g.

2.8 Higher Partial Derivatives

Let $f: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$. Note that $D_i f: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$.

Definition 2.35. Suppose $D_i f$ exists. Define $D_{ji} f(x) = D_j [D_i f](x)$ if the latter exists.

Definition 2.36. The function f is C^2 if all $D_{ii}f$ exist and are continuous.

Theorem 2.37 (Clairaut's Theorem). If f is C^2 , then $D_{ii}f = D_{ij}f$.

Proof (n = 2). By the MVT, we have

$$D_{12}f(x,y) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{D_2(x+h,y) - D_2(x,y)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \lim_{k \to 0} \frac{f(x+h,y+k) - f(x+h,y) - f(x,y+k) + f(x,y)}{hk}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \lim_{k \to 0} D_{21}f(t,s),$$

where t is between x and x + h and s is between y and y + k.

2.9 Higher Derivatives: An Informal Discussion

Recall that

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + Df(x)h + o(h).$$

The "total" second order derivative of $f: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$ should thus satisfy

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + Df(x)h + \frac{1}{2}D^2f(x)(h,h) + o(h^2).$$

Consider then $\gamma(t) = x + tv$ and $f \circ \gamma$. We have

$$(f \circ \gamma)''(0) = \lim_{t \to 0} \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t} \left[\sum_{t \to 0} \mathrm{D}_i f(x + tv) v_i \right]$$
$$= \lim_{t \to 0} \sum_{t \to 0} \left\langle \nabla \mathrm{D}_i f(x + tv) v_i, v \right\rangle$$
$$= \lim_{t \to 0} \sum_{i,j} \mathrm{D}_{ij} f(x) v_i v_j = v^{\mathsf{T}} \mathrm{D}^2 f(x) v,$$

where $D^2 f(x)$ is the Hessian. That is,

$$D^{2} f: \mathbb{R}^{n} \times \mathbb{R}^{n} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$
$$(h, k) \longmapsto h^{\mathsf{T}} \operatorname{Hess}(f)(x) k.$$

3 Integration

Let $f:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}$ be bounded. The goal is to define $\int_a^b f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x$ if it exists.

Definition 3.1. A **Partition** P of [a,b] is a collection of points x_0, \ldots, x_n such that $a = x_0 < x_1 < \cdots < x_n = b$. We say P^* is a **refinement** of P if $P \subset P^*$. We say $P_1 \vee P_2 := P_1 \cup P_2$ is the **common refinement** of P_1 and P_2 . Denote as $\Pi(a,b)$ the set of partitions of [a,b].

Definition 3.2. Given $P \in \Pi(a, b)$, we define the **upper sum** and **lower sum** of f with respect to P by

•
$$U(P, f) := \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\sup_{x_{i-1} \le x \le x_i} f(x) \right) (x_i - x_{i-1}).$$

•
$$L(P, f) := \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\inf_{x_{i-1} \le x \le x_i} f(x) \right) (x_i - x_{i-1}).$$

We define

$$\overline{\int_a^b} f(x) dx \coloneqq \inf_{P \in \Pi(a,b)} U(P,f), \quad \underline{\int_a^b} f(x) dx \coloneqq \sup_{P \in \Pi(a,b)} L(P,f).$$

Definition 3.3. *f* is Riemann integrable if

$$\overline{\int_a^b} f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x = \int_a^b f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x$$

and in this case, we define

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx := \overline{\int_{a}^{b}} f(x) dx = \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx.$$

Example 3.4. Let $f := \int_{\mathbb{O}}$.

Proposition 3.5. *If* P^* *is a refinement of* P, *then* $U(P, f) \ge U(P^*, f)$ *and* $L(P, f) \le L(P^*, f)$.

Corollary 3.6.

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \le \overline{\int_{a}^{b}} f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x.$$

Proof. Consider for each P_1 and P_2 their common refinement to obtain

$$L(P_1, f) \le L(P_1 \lor P_2, f) \le U(P_1 \lor P_2, f) \le U(P_2, f).$$

Proposition 3.7. *The following are equivalent:*

- f is Riemann integrable.
- For all $\epsilon > 0$, there exists a partition $P \in \Pi(a,b)$ such that $U(P,f) L(P,f) < \epsilon$.

Proof. For the forward direction, fix $\epsilon > 0$ and choose P_1, P_2 such that

$$U(P_1, f) < \int_a^b f \, \mathrm{d}x + \frac{\epsilon}{2}, \quad L(P_2, f) > \int_a^b f \, \mathrm{d}x - \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$$

Consider the common refinement $P_1 \vee P_2$. We have

$$U(P_1 \vee P_2, f) \le U(P_1, f) < \int_a^b f \, dx + \frac{\epsilon}{2} < L(P_2, f) + \epsilon < L(P_1 \vee P_2, f) + \epsilon.$$

For the reverse direction, note that

$$\overline{\int_a^b} f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \le U(P, f) < L(P, f) + \epsilon \le \underline{\int_a^b} f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x + \epsilon.$$

Thus sending $\epsilon \to 0$ gives

$$\overline{\int_a^b} f(x) \, dx = \underline{\int_a^b} f(x) \, dx.$$

Example 3.8. Let $f := \mathbb{1}_{>1/2}$ be defined on [0, 1]. For each $\epsilon > 0$, pick

$$P = \left\{0, \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\epsilon}{2}, \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2}, 1\right\}.$$

3.1 What functions are Riemann integrable?

- continuous
- continuous, except for finitely many points,
- · monotone.

Notation 3.9. Notation: given $P \in \Pi(x_0, ..., x_n)$, we define

- $\Delta x_i := x_i x_{i-1}$,
- $M_i := \sup_{x_{i-1} < x < x_i} f(x)$,
- $m_i := \inf_{x_{i-1} \le x \le x_i} f(x)$.

We may then write

$$U(P,f) = \sum M_i \Delta x_i, \quad L(P,f) = \sum m_i \Delta x_i, \quad U(P,f) - L(P,f) = \sum (M_i - m_i) \Delta x_i.$$

Proposition 3.10. *If* $f : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$ *is continuous, then* f *is Riemann integrable.*

Proof. Note that f is uniformly continuous.

Corollary 3.11. *If* $f : [a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$ *is continuous except for finitely many points, then* f *is Riemann integrable.*

Proof (*Sketch*). Use continuity to handle "most" of the $(M_i - m_i)\Delta x_i$ and use the fact that Δx_i is small for the otherwise.

Proposition 3.12. *If* $f : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$ *is monotone, then* f *is Riemann integrable.*

Proof. Suppose without loss of generality that f is increasing. Fix $\epsilon > 0$ and choose P such that $\Delta x_i < \epsilon$ for each i. We have

$$\begin{split} U(P,f)-L(P,f) &= \sum (M_i-m_i)\Delta x_i \\ &\leq \sum \epsilon [f(x_i)-f(x_{i-1})] = \epsilon [f(b)-f(a)]. \end{split}$$

Theorem 3.13. If $f:[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$ is integrable, $f([a,b]) \subset [c,d]$, and $\phi:[c,d] \to \mathbb{R}$ is continuous, then $h = \phi \circ f$ is integrable.

Proof. Fix $\epsilon > 0$ and choose $\delta > 0$ such that

- $|x y| < \delta$ implies $|\phi(x) \phi(y)| < \epsilon$,
- $\delta < \epsilon$.

Choose P such that $U(P, f) - L(P, f) < \delta^2$. We have then that

$$\begin{split} U(P,h) - L(P,h) &= \sum (M_i^h - m_i^h) \Delta x_i \\ &= \sum_{i:M_i^f - m_i^f < \delta} (M_i^h - m_i^h) \Delta x_i + \sum_{i:M_i^f - m_i^f \ge \delta} (M_i^h - m_i^h) \Delta x_i. \end{split}$$

For the first term, note that if $M_i^f - m_i^f < \delta$ then $M_i^h - m_i^h < \epsilon$. For the second term, note that

$$\delta \sum_{i: M_i^f - m_i^f \geq \delta} \Delta x_i \leq \sum_{i: M_i^f - m_i^f \geq \delta} (M_i^f - m_i^f) \Delta x_i \leq \delta^2 < \delta \epsilon,$$

from which it follows that

$$\sum_{i:M_i^f-m_i^f\geq\delta}(M_i^h-m_i^h)\Delta x_i\leq (d'-c')\epsilon,$$

where d' and c' are chosen such that $\phi([c,d]) \subset [c',d']$. Finally,

$$U(P,h) - L(P,h) \le \epsilon(b-a) + \epsilon(d'-c').$$

Proposition 3.14.

(i) The set of integrable functions is a vector space, and integration is a linear map.

(ii) If a < b < c and f is integrable on [a, c] then

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

(iii) If $f \leq g$ then

$$\int_a^b f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \le \int_a^b g(x) \, \mathrm{d}x.$$

(iv)
$$\left| \int_a^b f \, \mathrm{d}x \right| \le \int_a^b |f| \, \mathrm{d}x \le (b-a) \sup |f|$$

(v) If f and g are integrable, then fg is integrable.

Theorem 3.15 (The Fundamental Theorem of Calculus). Let $f : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable. Suppose $f' : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$ is Riemann is integrable. Then

$$f(b) - f(a) = \int_a^b f'(x) \, \mathrm{d}x.$$

Proof. Take any partition P. The mean value theorem gives

$$f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1}) = f'(\xi_i) \Delta x_i$$

for some $\xi_i \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]$. Summing over i, we have $f(b) - f(a) = \sum f'(\xi_i) \Delta x_i$. Noting that

$$L(P,f') \leq \sum f'(\xi_i) \Delta x_i \leq U(P,f')$$

we complete the proof by taking inf and sup over P.

Theorem 3.16 (The Fundamental Theorem of Calculus 2). Let $f:[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$ be Riemann integrable. Define $F(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt$. Then

- F is continuous
- if f is continuous at x, then F is differentiable at x and F'(x) = f(x).

Proof. For x < y, we have

$$|F(x) - F(y)| = \left| \int_x^y f(t) \, \mathrm{d}t \right| \le \int_x^y |f(t)| \, \mathrm{d}t \le (y - x) \sup |f|.$$

Since f, being integrable, is bounded, we have from the above that F is Lipschitz and thus continuous.

For the second result, note that for h > 0 we have

$$\frac{F(x+h) - F(x)}{h} = \frac{1}{h} \int_{x}^{x+h} f(t) dt.$$

Fix $\epsilon > 0$ and choose $\delta > 0$ such that

$$|x - t| < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(t)| < \epsilon$$
.

If $0 < h < \delta$, we have

$$\left| \frac{F(x+h) - F(x)}{h} - f(x) \right| = \frac{1}{h} \left| \int_{x}^{x+h} f(t) - f(x) \, dt \right|$$
$$= \frac{1}{h} \int_{x}^{x+h} |f(t) - f(x)| \, dt \le \epsilon.$$

3.2 Inequalities

Definition 3.17. Given 1 , define

$$||f||_p = \left(\int_a^b |f|^p\right)^{1/p}.$$

3.2.1 Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality

Theorem 3.18 (Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality). *If* f *and* g *are Riemann integrable,* then $\left| \int_a^b fg \, dx \right| \le \|f\|_2 \|g\|_2$.

Proof. For any $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\epsilon > 0$, we claim that

$$ab \leq \frac{a^2}{2\epsilon} + \frac{\epsilon b^2}{2}.$$

To see this, note merely that

$$\frac{a^2}{\epsilon} + \epsilon b^2 - 2ab = \left(\frac{a}{\sqrt{\epsilon}} - \sqrt{\epsilon}b\right)^2 \ge 0.$$

This then gives

$$\left| \int_{a}^{b} fg \, dx \right| \le \int_{a}^{b} |fg| \, dx \le \int_{a}^{b} \left(\frac{f^{2}}{2\epsilon} + \frac{\epsilon g^{2}}{2} \right) \, dx$$
$$= \frac{1}{2\epsilon} ||f||_{2}^{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} ||g||_{2}^{2}.$$

Setting $\epsilon = ||f||_2/||g||_2$ gives the desired result.

We can use this result to control the size of |f(x) - f(y)|.

Corollary 3.19.

$$\left| \int_{a}^{b} f \, \mathrm{d}x \right| \le \sqrt{b - a} ||f||_{2}.$$

Proof. Take g = 1 and note that $||1||_2 = \sqrt{b-a}$.

Theorem 3.20. If $f:[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable and $f':[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$ is integrable, then

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \le ||f'||_2 |x - y|^{1/2}.$$

That is, f is Hölder continuous with Hölder constant 1/2.

Proof. By the previous result,

$$|f(x) - f(y)| = \left| \int_{x}^{y} f' dt \right| \le |x - y|^{1/2} ||f'||_{2}.$$

3.2.2 Hölder's Inequality

Theorem 3.21 (Hölder's Inequality). *If* f *and* g *are integrable and* 1/p + 1/q = 1, *then*

$$\left| \int_{a}^{b} fg \, \mathrm{d}x \right| \le \|f\|_{p} \|g\|_{q}$$

Proof. Homework.

We can again use this result to control the size of |f(x) - f(y)|.

Corollary 3.22. *If* 1/p + 1/q = 1, *then*

$$\left| \int_a^b f \, \mathrm{d}x \right| \le \|f\|_p |b - a|^{1/q}.$$

Theorem 3.23. If f' in integrable and p, q are conjugate exponents, then

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \le ||f'||_p |x - y|^{1/q}.$$

Proof. We have

$$|f(x) - f(y)| = \left| \int_a^b f' dt \right| = ||f'||_p |x - y|^{1/q}.$$

Remark 3.24. Taking a really large p (and thus a q close to one) gives a result similar to that given by the MVT. Then $||f'|| \approx f'(\xi)$, where ξ is given by the MVT.

3.2.3 Jensen's Inequality

Theorem 3.25 (Jensen's Inequality). Let $f:[0,1]\to\mathbb{R}$ be integrable and $\phi:\mathbb{R}\to\mathbb{R}$ be convex (and hence continuous). Then

$$\phi\left(\int_0^1 f \, \mathrm{d}x\right) \le \int_0^1 \phi(f(x)) \, \mathrm{d}x.$$

Intuition: if $\sum \lambda_i = 1$, we have

$$\phi\left(\sum x_i\lambda_i\right)\leq \sum \lambda_i\phi(x_i)$$

4 Curves

What does it mean to integrate a map $f:[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}^n$? We set

$$\int_a^b f(t) dt := \left(\int_a^b f_1(t) dt, \dots, \int_a^b f_n(t) dt\right) \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Theorem 4.1. If $f:[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}^n$ is integrable, then

$$\left| \int_{a}^{b} f(t) \, \mathrm{d}t \right| \leq \int_{a}^{b} |f(t)| \, \mathrm{d}t.$$

Proof. Write $y := \int_a^b f \, dt \in \mathbb{R}^n$. We have

$$|y|^2 = \sum y_i \left(\int_a^b f_i \, dt \right) = \int_a^b \sum y_i f_i \, dt$$

$$\leq \int_a^b |y| |f| \, dt = |y| \int_a^b |f| \, dt,$$

where the inequality comes from Cauchy-Schwarz. Dividing by |y| gives the desired result.

Definition 4.2. A curve in \mathbb{R}^n is a continuous function $\gamma:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}^n$

What is the length of a curve?

Definition 4.3. Given a partition P of [a, b], set

$$\Lambda(P,\gamma) \coloneqq \sum |\gamma(x_i) - \gamma(x_{i-1})|$$

We define the length of γ by

$$\Lambda(\gamma) \coloneqq \sup_{P \in \Pi(a,b)} \Lambda(P,\gamma).$$

How can we compute $\Lambda(\gamma)$?

$$\Lambda(P,\gamma) = \sum |\gamma(x_i) - \gamma(x_{i-1})| \approx \sum |\gamma'(x_i)| \Delta x_i \approx \int_a^b |\gamma'(x)| \, \mathrm{d}x.$$

Theorem 4.4. Suppose $\gamma:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}^n$ is C^1 . Then $\Lambda(\gamma)=\int_a^b |\gamma'(t)| dt$.

Remark 4.5. We will repeatedly use FTC to obtain $\int_{x}^{y} \gamma'(t) dt = \gamma(y) - \gamma(x)$.

Proof. We prove first that $\Lambda(\gamma) \leq \int_a^b |\gamma'(t)| dt$. Fix *P*. We have

$$\Lambda(P,\gamma) = \sum |\gamma(x_i) - \gamma(x_{i-1})| = \sum \left| \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} \gamma'(t) \, \mathrm{d}t \right|$$

$$\leq \sum \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} |\gamma'(t)| \, \mathrm{d}t = \int_a^b |\gamma'(t)| \, \mathrm{d}t.$$

We take sup over P.

It remains to prove that $\Lambda(\gamma) \ge \int_a^b |\gamma'(t)| dt$. Fix $\epsilon > 0$ and choose $\delta > 0$ small enough so that $|t - s| < \delta$ implies $|\gamma'(t) - \gamma'(s)| < \epsilon$. Then choose P such that $\Delta x_i < \delta$ and $L(P, |\gamma'|) > \int_a^b |\gamma(t)| dt - \epsilon$. We now have

$$\gamma(x_i) - \gamma(x_{i-1}) = \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} \gamma' \, dt = \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} \gamma'(x_{i-1}) \, dt + \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} (\gamma'(t) - \gamma'(x_{i-1})) \, dt$$
$$= \gamma'(x_{i-1}) \Delta x_i + \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} (\gamma'(t) - \gamma'(x_{i-1})) \, dt.$$

Thus

$$|\gamma'(x_{i-1})|\Delta x_i \leq |\gamma(x_i) - \gamma(x_{i-1})| + \epsilon \Delta x_i.$$

We have

$$L(P, |\gamma'|) \le \sum |\gamma'(x_{i-1})| \Delta x_i$$

$$\le \Lambda(P, \gamma) + \epsilon(b - a) \le \Lambda(\gamma) + \epsilon(b - a).$$

Therefore,

$$\int_a^b \gamma' \, \mathrm{d}t \le L(P, |\gamma'|) + \epsilon \le \Lambda(\gamma) + \epsilon(b-a) + \epsilon.$$

Example 4.6. Curve with infinite length: the Koch snowflake.

5 The Riemann-Stieltjes Integral

Let $\alpha : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$ be monotone increasing. We are assigning a "size" or "weight" of $\alpha(x_i) - \alpha(x_{i-1})$ to the interval $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$.

Definition 5.1. Given a partition P, we define the upper sum and upper integral as

$$U(P, f, \alpha) \coloneqq \sum M_i^f \Delta \alpha_i, \quad \overline{\int_a^b} f \, d\alpha \coloneqq \inf_{P \in \Pi(a, b)} U(P, f, \alpha).$$

where

$$\Delta \alpha_i \coloneqq \alpha(x_i) - \alpha(x_{i-1}).$$

The lower sum and lower integral are defined equivalently. We say f is integrable with respect to α and write $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ if the upper and lower integrals are equal, and in this case we define $\int_a^b f \, d\alpha$ to be this common value.

Example 5.2. Consider the interval [0,1] and the function $\alpha(x) = \mathbb{1}(x > 1/2)$. We have

$$U(P, f, \alpha) = \sum M_i^f \Delta \alpha_i = M_{i^*}^f \Delta \alpha_{i^*} = M_{i^*}^f$$

where $1/2 \in (x_{i^*-1}, x_{i^*}]$. Then $\int_a^b f \, d\alpha = f(1/2)$ if f is continuous.

Theorem 5.3. *The following are equivalent:*

- $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$.
- For all $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $P \in \Pi(a,b)$ such that $U(P,f) L(P,f) < \epsilon$.

Theorem 5.4. If f is continuous, then $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ for any α .

Proof. Fix $\epsilon > 0$. Find $\delta > 0$ such that $|x - y| < \delta$ implies $|f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$ and choose P such that $\Delta \alpha_i < \delta$. We have then that

$$\begin{split} U(P,f,\alpha) - L(P,f,\alpha) &= \sum (M_i - m_i) \Delta \alpha_i \\ &< \sum \epsilon \Delta \alpha_i < \epsilon [\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)]. \end{split}$$

Theorem 5.5. If α is continuous and f is monotone, then $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$.

Proof. Suppose without loss of generality that f is increasing. Fix $\epsilon > 0$ and choose P such that $\Delta \alpha_i < \epsilon$ for each i. We have

$$U(P, f, \alpha) - L(P, f, \alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} [f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})] \Delta \alpha_i \le \epsilon \sum_{i=1}^{n} [f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})] \le \epsilon [f(b) - f(a)].$$

Proposition 5.6.

- $f \mapsto \int f \, d\alpha$ is linear. In particular, $\mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ is a vector space.
- $f_1 \le f_2$ implies $\int_a^b f \, d\alpha \le \int_a^b g \, d\alpha$.
- $\left| \int_a^b f \, d\alpha \right| \le \sup_{a \le x \le b} |f(x)| [\alpha(b) \alpha(a)].$
- $\alpha \mapsto \int f \, d\alpha$ is linear.
- $\left| \int_a^b f \, d\alpha \right| \le \int_a^b |f| \, d\alpha$.
- If $f, g \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$, then $fg \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$.

Suppose α is smooth (and in particular α' exists). We have

$$\sum f(y_i)\Delta\alpha_i \approx \sum f(y_i)\alpha'(y_i)\Delta x_i.$$

This suggests that if α is differentiable, then

$$\int_{a}^{b} f \, d\alpha = \int_{a}^{b} f \alpha' \, dx.$$

This is in fact true by the following result:

Theorem 5.7. If α is differentiable and $\alpha \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$, then $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ if and only if $f\alpha' \in \mathcal{R}$, in which case we have

$$\int_{a}^{b} f \, d\alpha = \int_{a}^{b} f \alpha' \, dx.$$

We prove the following stronger lemma:

Lemma 5.8. If $\alpha' \in \mathbb{R}$, then for any bounded f, we have

$$\overline{\int_a^b} f \, d\alpha = \overline{\int_a^b} f \alpha' \, dx$$

and similarly for the lower integrals.

Proof. Fix $\epsilon > 0$ and let P_0 be any partition such that

$$\sum (M_i^{\alpha'} - m_i^{\alpha'}) \Delta x_i = U(P_0, \alpha') - L(P_0, \alpha') < \epsilon$$

Now let $y_i \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]$. We have

$$\sum f(y_i)\Delta\alpha_i = \sum f(y_i)\alpha'(z_i)\Delta x_i,$$

where $z_i \in (x_{i-1}, x_i)$. Then,

$$\left| \sum f(y_i) \Delta \alpha_i - \sum f(y_i) \alpha'(y_i) \Delta x_i \right| \le \sum |f(y_i)| \cdot |\alpha'(y_i) - \alpha'(z_i)| \cdot \Delta x_i$$

$$\le \max |f| \sum (M_i^{\alpha'} - m_i^{\alpha'}) \Delta x_i$$

$$\le \max |f| \epsilon.$$

Note that

$$U(P_0, f, \alpha) = \sup_{y_i} \sum_{x_i} f(y_i) \Delta \alpha_i, \quad U(P_0, f\alpha') = \sup_{y_i} \sum_{x_i} f(y_i) \alpha'(y_i) \Delta x_i.$$

Thus,

$$|U(P_0, f, \alpha) - U(P_0, f\alpha')| \le \max|f|\epsilon,$$

where we used the fact that $|f(t) - g(t)| < \epsilon$ for all t implies $|\sup f(t) - \sup g(t)| < \epsilon$. Next, since refinements does not increase upper sums, we have

$$\overline{\int_a^b} f \, d\alpha = \inf_{P \in \Pi(a,b)} U(P, f, \alpha) = \inf_{P \in \Pi(a,b)} U(P \vee P_0, f, \alpha),$$

and similarly,

$$\int_{a}^{b} f\alpha' \, dx = \inf_{P \in \Pi(a,b)} U(P, f\alpha').$$

Thus, using the estimate above, we have

$$\left| \overline{\int_a^b} f \, d\alpha - \overline{\int_a^b} f \alpha' \, dx \right| \le \max |f| \epsilon.$$

Example 5.9. Consider $\alpha:[0,1]\to\mathbb{R}$ defined by

$$\alpha(x) \coloneqq \begin{cases} x & x \le 1/2 \\ x+2 & x > 1/2 \end{cases}.$$

Using linearity of the Riemann-Stieltjes integral in α , we have $\int_0^a f \, d\alpha = 2f(1/2) + \int_0^1 f \, dx$.

6 Sequences and Series of Functions

Let *X* be an arbitrary set and consider functions $f_n: X \to \mathbb{R}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $f: X \to \mathbb{R}$.

Definition 6.1.

- We say $f_n \to f$ pointwise if for any $x \in X$ we have $f_n(x) \to f(x)$ as $n \to \infty$.
- We say $f_n \to f$ uniformly if $\sup_{x \in X} |f_n(x) f(x)| \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$.

Note that pointwise convergence does not imply uniform convergence:

Example 6.2. Let

$$f_n(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in [n, n+1) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
.

It is easy to see that $f_n \to 0$ pointwise but not uniformly. Note also that $\int f_n = 1$ for each n, but $\int f = 0$. The mass escapes to infinity.

Example 6.3. Let X = [0, 1]. Let f_n be piecewise affine that is 0 on [0, 1 - 1/n] and 1 at 1. We have $f_n \to \mathbb{1}_{\{1\}}$ pointwise.

Question 6.4. How does uniform convergence interact with

- continuity (if *X* is a metric space),
- integration (if X = [a, b]),
- differentiation (if X = [a, b]).

Theorem 6.5. If (X, d) is a metric space, $f_n : X \to \mathbb{R}$ is continuous, and $f_n \to f$ uniformly, then f is continuous.

Proof. Fix $x \in X$. For $y \in X$, we have

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \le |f_n(x) - f_n(y)| + |f_n(x) - f(x)| + |f_n(y) - f(y)|$$

$$\le |f_n(x) - f_n(y)| + 2 \sup_{z} |f(z) - f_n(z)|.$$

Thus fix $\epsilon > 0$ and pick n such that $2 \sup_{z} |f(z) - f_n(z)| < \epsilon/2$. Then choose $\delta > 0$ such that $d(x, y) < \delta$ implies

$$|f_n(x) - f_n(y)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$$

Now, if $d(x, y) < \delta$, then

$$|f(x) - f(y)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon.$$

Theorem 6.6. Suppose X = [a, b] and $\alpha : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$ is monotone. If $f_n \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ and $f_n \to f$ uniformly, then $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ and

$$\int_{a}^{b} f \, d\alpha = \lim_{n \to \infty} \int_{a}^{b} f_n \, d\alpha.$$

Proof. We compare first $U(P, f, \alpha)$ with $U(P, f_n, \alpha)$. We have

$$\begin{split} U(P,f,\alpha) - U(P,f_n,\alpha) &= \sum (M_i^f - M_i^{f_n}) \Delta \alpha_i \\ &\leq \sum \left| \sup_{x \in [x_{i-1},x_i]} f(x) - f_n(x) \right| \Delta \alpha_i \\ &\leq \sup_{x \in [a,b]} |f(x) - f_n(x)| \sum \Delta \alpha_i, \end{split}$$

where we used the fact that $M_i^f - M_i^{f_n} \le \sup_x |f(x) - f_n(x)|$. Taking an inf over P gives

$$\left| \overline{\int_a^b} f \, d\alpha - \overline{\int_a^b} f_n \, d\alpha \right| \le \sup_x |f(x) - f_n(x)| [\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)].$$

Then, sending $n \to \infty$, we have

$$\overline{\int_a^b} f \, d\alpha = \lim_{n \to \infty} \overline{\int_a^b} f_n \, d\alpha = \lim_{n \to \infty} \int_a^b f_n \, d\alpha.$$

A similar proof shows that the lower integrals converge as well.

Theorem 6.7. Suppose $f_n : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable on [a, b] and

- for some $x_0 \in [a, b]$, $\lim_{n \to \infty} f(x_0) = y_0$,
- $f'_n \to g$ uniformly for some $g: [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$.

Then, there exists a function $f:[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$ such that $f_n \to f$ uniformly and f'=g.

Lemma 6.8. Suppose that $f_n: X \to \mathbb{R}$ is uniformly Cauchy, that is, for each $\epsilon > 0$, there exists N such that for m, n > N,

$$\sup_{x \in X} |f_n(x) - f_m(x)| < \epsilon.$$

Then there exists some f such that $f_n \to f$ uniformly.

Proof (of Theorem 6.7). We have

$$f_n(x) - f_m(x) = f_n(x_0) - f_m(x_0) + (f_n(x) - f_n(x_0)) - (f_m(x) - f_m(x_0)).$$

Applying the MVT to $x \mapsto f_n(x) - f_m(x)$ gives

$$f_n(x) - f_m(x) = f_n(x_0) - f_m(x_0) + (x - x_0) (f'_n(y) - f'_m(y))$$

$$\leq |f_n(x_0) - f_m(x_0)| + (b - a) \sup_{y \in [a,b]} |f'_n(y) - f'_m(y)|.$$

Thus f_n is uniformly Cauchy and, by Lemma, there exists some f such that $f_n \to f$ uniformly.

It remains to show that f' = g. Fix $x \in [a, b]$. We have

$$\frac{1}{h} [f(x+h) - f(x)]
= \frac{1}{h} [f_n(x+h) - f_n(x) + [f(x+h) - f(x)] - [f_n(x+h) - f_n(x)]]
= f'_n(x) + \frac{1}{h} \{ [f_n(x+h) - f_n(x) -] - f'_n(x) + [f(x+h) - f(x)] - [f_n(x+h) - f_n(x)] \}
= g(x) + [f'_n(x) - g(x)]
+ [\frac{1}{h} [f_n(x+h) - f_n(x)] - f'_n(x)]
+ \frac{1}{h} \{ [f(x+h) - f(x)] - [f_n(x+h) - f_n(x)] \}.$$

We show the last three terms tend to 0. The first of them tends to 0 by uniform convergence of f'_n . The second tends to 0 when h is small. For the last term, note

that it is

$$\lim_{m \to \infty} \frac{1}{h} \left\{ [f_m(x+h) - f_m(x)] - [f_n(x_h) - f_n(x)] \right\}$$

$$= \lim_{m \to \infty} [f'_m(y) - f'_n(y)]$$

$$\leq \lim_{m \to \infty} \sup_{y \in [a,b]} |f'_m(y) - f'_n(y)|$$

$$= \lim_{m \to \infty} \sup_{y \in [a,b]} |f'_m(y) - g(y)| + |g(y) - f'_n(y)|$$

$$= \sup_{y \in [a,b]} |g(y) - f'_n(y)| = 0,$$

where we used the MVT in the first equality. Note that the first and the third term tends to 0 as $n \to \infty$, independent of h, while the second term tends to 0 as $h \to 0$ for fixed n. Thus we need only choose large n and then small h.

Remark 6.9. We have that uniform convergence preserves continuity and integrability, but not differentiability. For a counterexample, consider f(x) := |x| and its mollification.

7 Function Spaces

Fix a metric (X, d) (often require X to be compact).

Definition 7.1.

- $C(X) = \{\text{continuous and bounded function } f: X \to \mathbb{R}\}.$
- For $f, g \in C(X)$, define

$$d_{\infty}(f,g) \coloneqq \sup_{x \in X} |f(x) - g(x)|.$$

Remark 7.2.

- $(C(X), d_{\infty})$ is a complete metric space, since uniform limit of continuous functions is continuous.
- $d_{\infty}(f_n, f) \to 0$ if and only if $f_n \to f$ uniformly. That is, the metric d_{∞} induces uniform convergence.
- $(C(X), d_{\infty})$ is separable if X is compact.
- Compact subsets are equibounded and equicontinuous.

Proposition 7.3. C([0,1]) is separable.

Proof. Consider the set of piecewise affine functions such that for some $0 = q_0 < q_1 < \cdots < q_n = 1$, where $q_i \in \mathbb{Q}$ we have $f(q_i) \in \mathbb{Q}$ and f is affine on $[q_{i-1}, q_i]$. Prove that this is dense in the set of all piecewise affine functions, which is in turn dense in C([0,1]).