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A set $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ where $X \neq \emptyset$ is a vector space if:

- $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in X \implies \vec{x} + \vec{y} \in X$
- $\vec{x} \in X$ and $c \in \mathbb{R} \implies c\vec{x} \in X$.

If $\phi = \{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_k\} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, then we define:

$$\text{span } \phi = \text{span}\{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_k\} = \{c_1\vec{x}_1 + \dots + c_k\vec{x}_k \mid c_1, \dots, c_k \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

If $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ and $E = \text{span } \phi$, then we say ϕ generates E .

Note that $\text{span}\{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_2\}$ forms a vector space (this is trivial to check).

$\{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_k\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is called linearly independent if:

$$\sum_{i=1}^k c_i \vec{x}_i = 0 \implies \forall i \in \{1, \dots, k\}, c_i = 0.$$

If the above implication does not hold, then we call the set linearly dependent.

If $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is a vector space, then we define the dimension of X as:

$$\dim(X) = \sup\{k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} \mid \exists \{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_k\} \subset X \text{ which is linearly independent}\}.$$

Also, we define any set containing $\vec{0}$ to be automatically linearly dependent.

This includes the singleton: $\{\vec{0}\}$.

$Q = \{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_k\}$ is a basis for X if:

- Q is linearly independent.
- $\text{span } Q = X$

As an example of a basis, for \mathbb{R}^n we define the standard basis as the set $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$ where e_i is the vector whose i th element is 1 and whose other elements are 0. It is pretty trivial to check that this set is in fact a basis of \mathbb{R}^n .

Proposition: If $B = \{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_k\}$ is a basis of a vector space X , then:

$$1. \forall \vec{v} \in X, c_1, \dots, c_k \in \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } \vec{v} = \sum_{i=1}^k c_i \vec{x}_i$$

This is true because $X = \text{span } B$. So by definition of a span, \vec{v} can be expressed as a linear combination of the vectors of B .

2. The c_i such that $\vec{v} = \sum_{i=1}^k c_i \vec{x}_i$ are unique.

Suppose that $\vec{v} = \sum c_i \vec{x}_i = \sum \alpha_i \vec{x}_i$. Then $\vec{0} = \sum (c_i - \alpha_i) \vec{x}_i$.
Then since $\{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_k\}$ are linearly independent, we know for all i that $c_i - \alpha_i = 0$. Hence, $c_i = \alpha_i$ for each i .

Theorem 9.2: Let $k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$. If $X = \text{span}\{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_k\}$, then $\dim(X) \leq k$.

Proof:

Suppose for the sake of contradiction that for any $m \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, there exists a linearly independent set $Q = \{\vec{y}_1, \dots, \vec{y}_{k+m}\} \subset X$ which spans X . Then, define $S_0 = \{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_k\}$ and note that S_0 spans X .

Now by induction, assume for $i \in \{0, 1, \dots, k-1\}$, that S_i contains the first i vectors of Q in addition to $k-i$ vectors of S_0 , and that $\text{span } S_i = X$. Then since S_i spans X , we know that $\vec{y}_{i+1} \in X$ is in the span of S_i . So, letting $\vec{x}_{n_1}, \dots, \vec{x}_{n_{k-i}}$ be the elements from S_0 in S_i , we know that there exists scalars $a_1, \dots, a_{i+1}, b_1, \dots, b_{k-i} \in \mathbb{R}$ where $a_{i+1} = 1$ such that:

$$\sum_{j=1}^{i+1} a_j \vec{y}_j + \sum_{j=1}^{k-i} b_j \vec{x}_{n_j} = \vec{0}$$

If all $b_j = 0$, then we have a contradiction. This is because $\{\vec{y}_1, \dots, \vec{y}_{k+1}\}$ is assumed to be linearly independent. So, having all $b_j = 0$ implies that:

$$\sum_{j=1}^{i+1} a_j \vec{y}_j = \sum_{j=1}^{i+1} a_j \vec{y}_j + \sum_{j=i+2}^{k+1} 0 \cdot \vec{y}_j = \vec{0}$$

In turn this means that all $a_j = 0$, which contradicts that $a_{i+1} = 1$.

So, not all $b_j = 0$. This means that for some j we must have that \vec{x}_{n_j} is in the span of $(S_i \setminus \{\vec{x}_{n_j}\}) \cup \{\vec{y}_{i+1}\}$. Call this set S_{i+1} . Clearly, S_{i+1} contains the first $i+1$ vectors of Q . Also:

$$\text{span } S_{i+1} = \text{span}(S_i \cup \{\vec{y}_{i+1}\}) = \text{span } S_i = X.$$

So S_{i+1} satisfies the same conditions S_i did.

Now we get to the contradiction. Using the above reasoning, we will eventually construct $S_k = \{\vec{y}_1, \dots, \vec{y}_k\}$ which still spans X . However, since $\vec{y}_{k+1} \in X$, that means that \vec{y}_{k+1} equals some linear combination of the other \vec{y} in Q . This contradicts that Q is linearly independent. ■

Corollary: If $B = \{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_k\}$ is a basis for X , then $\dim(X) = k$.

Proof:

Since B is linearly independent, by definition $\dim(X) \geq k$. Meanwhile, since B spans X , we know by the above theorem that $\dim(X) \leq k$. So $\dim(X) = k$.

Theorem 9.3: Suppose X is a vector space and $\dim(X) = n$. Then:

- (A) For $E = \{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_n\} \subset X$, we have that $X = \text{span } E$ if and only if E is linearly independent.

Proof:

First, assume E is linearly independent. Then, note that for any $\vec{y} \in X$, we must have that $E \cup \{\vec{y}\}$ is linearly dependent because $|E \cup \{\vec{y}\}| > \dim(X)$. So, there exists $c_1, \dots, c_n, c_{n+1} \in \mathbb{R}$ such that at least one c_i is nonzero and:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n c_i \vec{x}_i + c_{n+1} \vec{y} = \vec{0}$$

Now if $c_{n+1} = 0$, we have a contradiction because E is linearly independent. So, we conclude that $c_{n+1} \neq 0$. Thus, by rearranging terms we can express y as a linear combination of the vectors of E . Therefore, $\text{span } E = X$ since y can be any vector in X .

Secondly, assume E is not linearly independent. Then for some $\vec{x}_i \in E$, we have that $\text{span } E = \text{span}(E \setminus \{\vec{x}_i\})$. However, $|E \setminus \{\vec{x}_i\}| = n - 1$. So if $X = \text{span } E$, then $\dim(X) \leq |E \setminus \{\vec{x}_i\}| = n - 1$, which contradicts our assumption that $\dim(X) = n$. Hence, $X \neq \text{span } E$.

- (B) X has a basis and every basis of X consists of n vectors.

Proof:

By the definition of $\dim(X)$, we know that there exists a linearly independent set of n vectors. By the previous part of this theorem, we also know that that set spans X . So, it is a basis of X . Meanwhile, by the corollary to theorem 9.2, we know that the number of vectors in a basis of X equals the dimension of X . Hence, all bases of X must have n vectors.

- (C) If $1 \leq m \leq n$ and $\{\vec{y}_1, \dots, \vec{y}_m\} \subset X$ is linearly independent, then X has a basis that contains $\vec{y}_1, \dots, \vec{y}_m$.

Proof:

Let $S_0 = \{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_n\}$ be a basis of X and $Q = \{\vec{y}_1, \dots, \vec{y}_m\}$. Then by the same induction which we used to prove theorem 9.2, we can construct a basis: S_m , of X which contains $\vec{y}_1, \dots, \vec{y}_m$.

Let X and Y be vector spaces. A map $\mathbf{A} : X \longrightarrow Y$ is linear if $\mathbf{A}(c_1 \vec{x}_1 + c_2 \vec{x}_2) = c_1 \mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_1) + c_2 \mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_2)$ for all $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2 \in X$ and $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$.

Observations:

1. A linear map sends $\vec{0}$ to $\vec{0}$. This is because:

$$\mathbf{A}(\vec{0}) = \mathbf{A}(\vec{v} - \vec{v}) = \mathbf{A}(\vec{v}) - \mathbf{A}(\vec{v}) = \vec{0}.$$

2. If $\mathbf{A} : X \rightarrow Y$ is a linear map and $B = \{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_k\}$ is a basis of X ,

$$\text{then } \mathbf{A}\left(\sum_{i=1}^k (c_i \vec{x}_i)\right) = \sum_{i=1}^k c_i \mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_i) \text{ for all } c_1, \dots, c_k \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Given two vector spaces X and Y , we define $L(X, Y)$ to be the set of all linear transformations from X into Y . Also, we shall abbreviate $L(X, X)$ as $L(X)$.

$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A}) = \text{"null space / kernel of } \mathbf{A}\text{"} = \{\vec{x} \in X \mid \mathbf{A}(\vec{x}) = \vec{0}\}.$$

$$\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{A}) = \text{"range of } \mathbf{A}\text{"} = \{\vec{y} \in Y \mid \exists \vec{x} \in X \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{y}\}.$$

Proposition: For any linear map $\mathbf{A} : X \rightarrow Y$, $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A})$ and $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{A})$ are vector spaces.

Proof:

- Assume $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2 \in \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A}) \subset X$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$. Then:
 - $\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_1 + \vec{x}_2) = \mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_1) + \mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_2) = \vec{0} + \vec{0} = \vec{0}$, which means that $\vec{x}_1 + \vec{x}_2 \in \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A})$.
 - $\mathbf{A}(c\vec{x}_1) = c\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_1) = c\vec{0} = \vec{0}$. So $c\vec{x}_1 \in \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A})$.
 This shows that $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A})$ is a vector space.
- Assume $\vec{y}_1, \vec{y}_2 \in \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{A}) \subset Y$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$. Then:
 - We know there exists $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2 \in X$ such that $\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_1) = \vec{y}_1$ and $\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_2) = \vec{y}_2$. In turn, $\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_1 + \vec{x}_2) = \mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_1) + \mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_2) = \vec{y}_1 + \vec{y}_2$. So $\vec{y}_1 + \vec{y}_2 \in \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{A})$.
 - Now continue letting $\vec{x}_1 \in X$ be a vector such that $\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_1) = \vec{y}_1$. Then $\mathbf{A}(c\vec{x}_1) = c\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_1) = c\vec{y}_1$. So $c\vec{y}_1 \in \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{A})$.
 This shows that $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{A})$ is a vector space.

$$\text{rk}(\mathbf{A}) = \text{"rank of } \mathbf{A}\text{"} = \dim(\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{A})).$$

$$\text{null}(\mathbf{A}) = \text{"nullity of } \mathbf{A}\text{"} = \dim(\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A})).$$

Rank-Nullity Theorem: Given any $\mathbf{A} \in L(X, Y)$, we have that

$$\dim(X) = \text{rk}(\mathbf{A}) + \text{null}(\mathbf{A}).$$

Proof:

Let $\dim(X) = n$.

$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A}) \subseteq X$ is a vector space. So pick a basis $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k\}$ for $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A})$ where $k = \text{null}(\mathbf{A}) \leq \dim(X)$. Then by theorem 9.3, choose $\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_{m-k}$ such that $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k, \vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_{m-k}\}$ is a basis of X . Note that $\dim(X) = n$.

Claim: $B = \{\mathbf{A}(\vec{w}_1), \dots, \mathbf{A}(\vec{w}_{n-k})\}$ is a basis of $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{A})$.

- $\mathbf{A}(\vec{v}_i) = \vec{0}$ for all $i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$. So:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{A}) &= \text{span}\{\mathbf{A}(\vec{v}_1), \dots, \mathbf{A}(\vec{v}_k), \mathbf{A}(\vec{w}_1), \dots, \mathbf{A}(\vec{w}_{n-k})\} \\ &= \text{span}\{\mathbf{A}(\vec{w}_1), \dots, \mathbf{A}(\vec{w}_{n-k})\} = \text{span } B\end{aligned}$$

- B is linearly independent.

To see this, note that: $\sum_{i=1}^{n-k} (c_i \mathbf{A}(\vec{w}_i)) = \vec{0} \implies \mathbf{A}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n-k} c_i \vec{w}_i\right) = \vec{0}$

Since we picked each $\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_{n-k} \in B$ so that they were not in $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A})$, we know that any vector in the span of B is not mapped to $\vec{0}$ by \mathbf{A} unless it is the zero vector. So

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n-k} c_i \vec{w}_i = \vec{0}$$

And since all the \vec{w}_i are linearly independent, all constants c_i equal 0.

So $\text{rk}(\mathbf{A}) = n - k = \dim(X) - \text{null}(\mathbf{A})$.

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Proposition: Given $\mathbf{A} \in L(X, Y)$, then:

- \mathbf{A} is injective if and only if $\text{null}(\mathbf{A}) = \{0\}$.

Proof:

(\implies) If \mathbf{A} is injective, then since $\mathbf{A}(\vec{0}) = \vec{0}$, we have that any vector $\vec{v} \neq \vec{0}$ is not in $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A})$. So $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A}) = \{\vec{0}\}$, meaning $\text{null}(\mathbf{A}) = \{0\}$.

(\impliedby) If $\text{null}(\mathbf{A}) = \{0\}$, then $\mathbf{A}(\vec{v}) = \vec{0} \implies \vec{v} = \vec{0}$. So now assume $\mathbf{A}(\vec{v}) = \mathbf{A}(\vec{u})$. Then $\mathbf{A}(\vec{v} - \vec{u}) = \vec{0}$, meaning $\vec{v} = \vec{u}$. Hence \mathbf{A} is injective.

- \mathbf{A} is surjective if and only if $\text{rk}(\mathbf{A}) = \dim(Y)$.

Proof:

(\implies) If \mathbf{A} is surjective then $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{A}) = Y$. So we automatically have that $\text{rk}(\mathbf{A}) = \dim(Y)$

(\impliedby) If $\text{rk}(\mathbf{A}) = \dim(Y)$, then there exists a linearly independent set of vectors $B \subset \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{A})$ containing $\dim(Y)$ many vectors and spanning $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{A})$. Then by theorem 9.3, since $B \subset \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{A}) \subseteq Y$, we know $\text{span } B = Y$. So, $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{A}) = Y$, meaning \mathbf{A} is surjective.

Corollary: Let $\mathbf{A} \in L(X)$. Then \mathbf{A} is bijective if and only if $\text{null}(\mathbf{A}) = 0$.

Proof: (let $\mathbf{A} : X \longrightarrow X$ be a linear map)

(\implies) If \mathbf{A} is bijective, then automatically \mathbf{A} is injective. So $\text{null}(\mathbf{A}) = 0$ by the previous proposition.

(\impliedby) If $\text{null}(\mathbf{A}) = 0$, then by the rank-nullity theorem, we know that $\text{rk}(\mathbf{A}) = \dim(X)$. Thus \mathbf{A} is both injective and surjective, meaning \mathbf{A} is bijective.

For $\mathbf{A} \in L(X)$, when $\text{null}(\mathbf{A}) = 0$, we call \mathbf{A} invertible and define $\mathbf{A}^{-1} : X \longrightarrow X$ such that $\mathbf{A}^{-1}(\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})) = \vec{x}$ for all $\vec{x} \in X$.

Because \mathbf{A} must be a bijective set function, we know that \mathbf{A}^{-1} must also be a right-inverse of \mathbf{A} , meaning $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^{-1}(\vec{x})) = \vec{x}$.

Additionally, consider any $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2 \in X$ and let $\vec{x}'_1 = \mathbf{A}^{-1}(\vec{x}_1)$ and $\vec{x}'_2 = \mathbf{A}^{-1}(\vec{x}_2)$. Then since \mathbf{A} is a linear mapping, we know that for any $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$\mathbf{A}(c_1 \vec{x}'_1 + c_2 \vec{x}'_2) = c_1 \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^{-1}(\vec{x}_1)) + c_2 \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^{-1}(\vec{x}_2)) = c_1 \vec{x}_1 + c_2 \vec{x}_2$$

So: $\mathbf{A}^{-1}(c_1 \vec{x}_1 + c_2 \vec{x}_2) = c_1 \vec{x}'_1 + c_2 \vec{x}'_2 = c_1 \mathbf{A}^{-1}(\vec{x}_1) + c_2 \mathbf{A}^{-1}(\vec{x}_2)$. Hence, we've shown that \mathbf{A}^{-1} is a linear mapping, meaning that $\mathbf{A}^{-1} \in L(X)$.

Let $\mathbf{A} \in L(X, Y)$ and $\mathbf{B} \in L(Y, Z)$. Then we define $\mathbf{BA} : X \longrightarrow Z$ by the rule that $\vec{x} \mapsto \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}))$.

We can trivially show that \mathbf{BA} is a linear mapping. Consider any $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2 \in X$ and $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$. Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{BA}(c_1 \vec{x}_1 + c_2 \vec{x}_2) &= \mathbf{B}(c_1 \mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_1) + c_2 \mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_2)) \\ &= c_1 \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_1)) + c_2 \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_2)) \\ &= c_1 \mathbf{BA}(\vec{x}_1) + c_2 \mathbf{BA}(\vec{x}_2) \end{aligned}$$

This means that $\mathbf{BA} \in L(X, Z)$.

Let $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in L(X, Y)$ and $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$. Then we define $(c_1 \mathbf{A} + c_2 \mathbf{B}) : X \longrightarrow Y$ by the rule: $\vec{x} \mapsto c_1 \mathbf{A}(\vec{x}) + c_2 \mathbf{B}(\vec{x})$.

It is even more trivial to show that $(c_1 \mathbf{A} + c_2 \mathbf{B})$ is a linear map.

Let $\mathbf{A} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$. We define the norm of \mathbf{A} as:

$$\|\mathbf{A}\| = \sup \{ \|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| \mid \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ and } \|\vec{x}\| \leq 1 \}.$$

Throughout this section, we shall prove that $\|\cdot\| : L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m) \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is well-defined and fulfills the properties of a general norm function.

Proposition: If $\mathbf{A} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$, then $\|\mathbf{A}\|$ exists and is finite.

Proof:

Let $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ be the standard basis in \mathbb{R}^n . Then for any $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, there are unique $c_1, \dots, c_n \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $\vec{x} = c_1 e_1 + \dots + c_n e_n$.

Since we are working with the standard basis, we know: $\|\vec{x}\| = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n c_i^2}$.

Thus, for $\|\vec{x}\| \leq 1$, we must have that $|c_i| \leq 1$ for each c_i . This means:

$$\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| = \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \mathbf{A}(e_i) \right\| \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \|c_i \mathbf{A}(e_i)\| = \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i| \|\mathbf{A}(e_i)\| \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \|\mathbf{A}(e_i)\|$$

Importantly, we must have that $\sum_{i=1}^n \|\mathbf{A}(e_i)\|$ is finite. Additionally, it is an upper bound to the set: $\{\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| \mid \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ and } \|\vec{x}\| \leq 1\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$.

So, we showed that the above set is bounded above. Also, the above set is nonempty because it must contain $\|\vec{0}\| = 0$. Thus by the least upper bound property of \mathbb{R} , we know that the supremum of this set exists in \mathbb{R} .

Hence, $\|\mathbf{A}\|$ exists and is finite.

Side note, the above proof also shows that $\|\mathbf{A}\| \geq 0$.

Lemma: For $\mathbf{A} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$ and $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, we have that $\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\| \|\vec{x}\|$.

Proof:

Case 1: $\vec{x} \neq \vec{0}$.

Then since $\|\vec{x}\| \neq 0$, we can say that:

$$\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| = \left\| \mathbf{A} \left(\|\vec{x}\| \frac{\vec{x}}{\|\vec{x}\|} \right) \right\| = \left\| \|\vec{x}\| \mathbf{A} \left(\frac{\vec{x}}{\|\vec{x}\|} \right) \right\| = \left\| \mathbf{A} \left(\frac{\vec{x}}{\|\vec{x}\|} \right) \right\| \|\vec{x}\|$$

Now $\frac{\vec{x}}{\|\vec{x}\|} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\left\| \frac{\vec{x}}{\|\vec{x}\|} \right\| = 1$. So, $\left\| \mathbf{A} \left(\frac{\vec{x}}{\|\vec{x}\|} \right) \right\| \|\vec{x}\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\| \|\vec{x}\|$

Case 2: $\vec{x} = \vec{0}$.

Then trivially $\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| = \|\mathbf{A}(\vec{0})\| = 0 = \|\mathbf{A}\| \|\vec{0}\| = \|\mathbf{A}\| \|\vec{x}\|$

Proposition: If $\mathbf{A} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$, then $0 \leq \|\mathbf{A}\|$. Also $\|\mathbf{A}\| = 0$ if and only if \mathbf{A} is the unique function mapping all of \mathbb{R}^n to $\vec{0}$.

Proof:

We already showed previously that $\|\mathbf{A}\| \geq 0$. So, it now suffices to show that $\|\mathbf{A}\| = 0 \iff \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A}) = \mathbb{R}^n$.

(\implies) Assume that $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A}) \neq \mathbb{R}^n$. Then there exists $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}) \neq \vec{0}$. Since \vec{x} can't be $\vec{0}$, consider the vector $\hat{x} = \frac{\vec{x}}{\|\vec{x}\|}$. By the linearity of \mathbf{A} , we know $\mathbf{A}(\hat{x}) = \frac{1}{\|\vec{x}\|} \mathbf{A}(\vec{x}) \neq \vec{0}$. So, $\|\mathbf{A}(\hat{x})\| > 0$. But $\|\mathbf{A}(\hat{x})\|$ is in the set that $\|\mathbf{A}\|$ is a supremum of, which means that $\|\mathbf{A}\| \geq \|\mathbf{A}(\hat{x})\| > 0$. Or in other words, $\|\mathbf{A}\| \neq 0$.

(\impliedby) Assume that $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A}) = \mathbb{R}^n$. Then,

$$\sup \{ \|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| \mid \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ and } \|\vec{x}\| \leq 1 \} = \sup \{ 0 \} = 0$$

Corollary: Given $\mathbf{A} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$, we have that \mathbf{A} is uniformly continuous.

Proof:

Case 1: $\|\mathbf{A}\| \neq 0$, meaning we can divide by $\|\mathbf{A}\|$.

By the previous proposition, $\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}) - \mathbf{A}(\vec{y})\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\| \|\vec{x} - \vec{y}\|$ for all $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Hence, for any $\varepsilon > 0$, if we make $\|\vec{x} - \vec{y}\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{\|\mathbf{A}\|}$, then $\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}) - \mathbf{A}(\vec{y})\| < \varepsilon$.

Case 2: $\|\mathbf{A}\| = 0$.

Then \mathbf{A} is a constant function, making it automatically uniformly continuous.

Subcorollary: Given $\mathbf{A} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$, there exists $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with $\|\vec{x}\| \leq 1$ such that $\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| = \|\mathbf{A}\|$.

Proof:

Let $S = \{ \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|\vec{x}\| \leq 1 \}$ and consider the restriction $\mathbf{A}|_S$.

Since S is a closed and bounded subset of \mathbb{R}^n , we know that S is compact by the Heine-Borel theorem (see proposition 28 in Math 140A notes).

This combined with the fact that $\mathbf{A}|_S$ is still continuous means that by the extreme value theorem, there is $\vec{x} \in S$ with:

$$\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}) = \mathbf{A}|_S(\vec{x}) = \sup \{ \|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| \mid \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ and } \|\vec{x}\| \leq 1 \}.$$

Proposition: If $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$, then $\|\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\| + \|\mathbf{B}\|$.

Proof:

Let $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be a vector such that $\|\vec{x}\| \leq 1$ and $\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| = \|\mathbf{A}\|$. Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}\| &= \|(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})(\vec{x})\| = \|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}) + \mathbf{B}(\vec{x})\| \\ &\leq \|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| + \|\mathbf{B}(\vec{x})\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\| + \|\mathbf{B}\| \end{aligned}$$

Proposition: If $\mathbf{A} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$, then $\|c\mathbf{A}\| = |c|\|\mathbf{A}\|$.

Proof:

Pick $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying $\|\vec{x}\| \leq 1$ and $\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| = \|\mathbf{A}\|$. Then:

$$|c|\|\mathbf{A}\| = |c|\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| = \|c\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| = \|(c\mathbf{A})(\vec{x})\| \leq \|c\mathbf{A}\|.$$

Next, pick $\vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying $\|\vec{y}\| \leq 1$ and $\|(c\mathbf{A})(\vec{y})\| = \|c\mathbf{A}\|$. Then:

$$\|c\mathbf{A}\| = \|(c\mathbf{A})(\vec{y})\| = \|c\mathbf{A}(\vec{y})\| = |c|\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{y})\| \leq |c|\|\mathbf{A}\|.$$

Specifically because of the four propositions above, we have shown that $\|\cdot\| : L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is well-defined and a valid norm. Consequently, by defining $d(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}) = \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|$ for all $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$, we naturally get that $L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$ is a metric space.

Given any $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$, we have:

- $d(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}) = \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\| \geq 0$ with $d(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}) = 0$ if and only if $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B}$.
- $d(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}) = \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\| = |-1|\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\| = d(\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{A})$
- $d(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{C}) = \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}\| \leq \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\| + \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}\| = d(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}) + d(\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C})$

Before moving on, here is another corollary of the above statements.

Corollary: If $\mathbf{A} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$ and $\mathbf{B} \in L(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{R}^k)$, then $\|\mathbf{BA}\| \leq \|\mathbf{B}\|\|\mathbf{A}\|$.

Proof:

Pick $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying $\|\vec{x}\| \leq 1$ and $\|(\mathbf{BA})(\vec{x})\| = \|\mathbf{BA}\|$. Then:

$$\|\mathbf{BA}\| = \|(\mathbf{BA})(\vec{x})\| = \|\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}))\| \leq \|\mathbf{B}\|\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| \leq \|\mathbf{B}\|\|\mathbf{A}\|.$$

Theorem 9.8: Let $\Omega \subset L(\mathbb{R}^n)$ be the set of all invertible linear mappings on \mathbb{R}^n .

(A) If $\mathbf{A} \in \Omega$, $\mathbf{B} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n)$, and $\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\| < \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|}$, then $\mathbf{B} \in \Omega$.

Proof:

Pick $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $\|\vec{x}\| \leq 1$. Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\| &= \|(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{B})(\vec{x})\| \\ &\leq \|(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})(\vec{x})\| + \|\mathbf{B}(\vec{x})\| \\ &\leq \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|\|\vec{x}\| + \|\mathbf{B}(\vec{x})\| = \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\|\|\vec{x}\| + \|\mathbf{B}(\vec{x})\| \end{aligned}$$

Meanwhile, note that $\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\| \neq 0$. We know this because \mathbf{A}^{-1} must be invertible (because $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A}^{-1}) = \{\vec{0}\}$) and the one linear transformation in $L(\mathbb{R}^n)$ with norm 0 is not invertible. So:

$$\frac{\|\vec{x}\|}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|} = \frac{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\|}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|} \leq \frac{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|\|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\|}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|} = \|\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})\|$$

Hence, $\frac{\|\vec{x}\|}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|} \leq \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\| \|\vec{x}\| + \|\mathbf{B}(\vec{x})\|$. By rearranging terms, we get this expression: $\left(\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|} - \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\|\right) \|\vec{x}\| \leq \|\mathbf{B}(\vec{x})\|$.

Now, note that if $\|\mathbf{B}(\vec{x})\| = 0$ but $\vec{x} \neq \vec{0}$, then we must have that: $\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|} - \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\| \leq 0$. Or in other words, $\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\| \geq \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|}$. So, if $\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\| < \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|}$, then $\|\mathbf{B}(\vec{x})\| = 0$ only when $\vec{x} = \vec{0}$. Hence, $\text{null}(\mathbf{B}) = 0$ and \mathbf{B} is invertible.

(B) Ω is an open subset of $L(\mathbb{R}^n)$, and the mapping over Ω with the rule: $\mathbf{A} \mapsto \mathbf{A}^{-1}$, is continuous.

Proof:

Firstly, by part A we know that for any $\mathbf{A} \in \Omega$, if $r = \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|}$, then $B_r(\mathbf{A}) \subseteq \Omega$. So, Ω is an open set in the metric space $L(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

Now let $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in \Omega$ and recall from part A that:

$$\left(\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|} - \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\|\right) \|\vec{x}\| \leq \|\mathbf{B}(\vec{x})\|.$$

Since we know \mathbf{B}^{-1} exists, set $\vec{x} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}(\vec{y})$. Then the above expression becomes: $\left(\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|} - \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\|\right) \|\mathbf{B}^{-1}(\vec{y})\| \leq \|\vec{y}\|$. Because we are interested in \mathbf{B} close to \mathbf{A} , we can assume that $\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\| < \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|}$. Thus it is safe to divide by $\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|} - \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\|$. So, setting $\vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ to be the vector satisfying $\|\vec{y}\| \leq 1$ and $\|\mathbf{B}^{-1}(\vec{y})\| = \|\mathbf{B}^{-1}\|$, we have that:

$$\|\mathbf{B}^{-1}\| = \|\mathbf{B}^{-1}(\vec{y})\| \leq \frac{\|\vec{y}\|}{\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|} - \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\|} \leq \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|} - \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\|} = \frac{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|}{1 - \|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\| \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\|}$$

Lemma: Given $\mathbf{A} \in L(Z, W)$, $\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C} \in L(Y, Z)$, and $\mathbf{D} \in L(X, Y)$, we have that $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}) = \mathbf{AB} + \mathbf{AC}$ and $(\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C})\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{BD} + \mathbf{CD}$.

Proof:

- $\mathbf{A}((\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C})(\vec{v})) = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{B}(\vec{v}) + \mathbf{C}(\vec{v})) = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{B}(\vec{v})) + \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{C}(\vec{v}))$
- $(\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C})(\mathbf{D}(\vec{v})) = \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{D}(\vec{v})) + \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{D}(\vec{v}))$

Based on the above lemma, we have that $\mathbf{B}^{-1} - \mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})\mathbf{A}^{-1}$. So:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq \|\mathbf{B}^{-1} - \mathbf{A}^{-1}\| &= \|\mathbf{B}^{-1}(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})\mathbf{A}^{-1}\| \\ &\leq \|\mathbf{B}^{-1}\| \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\| \|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\| \leq \frac{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|^2}{1 - \|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\| \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\|} \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\| \end{aligned}$$

Finally, assume $\mathbf{A} \in \Omega'$. This is fine because the mapping is automatically continuous at \mathbf{A} if $\mathbf{A} \notin \Omega'$. Then we have that:

$$\lim_{\mathbf{B} \rightarrow \mathbf{A}} \left(\frac{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|^2}{1 - \|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\| \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\|} \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\| \right) = \|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|^2 \cdot 0 = 0.$$

$$\text{So, } 0 \leq \lim_{\mathbf{B} \rightarrow \mathbf{A}} (\|\mathbf{B}^{-1} - \mathbf{A}^{-1}\|) \leq 0.$$

This means that $d(\mathbf{B}^{-1}, \mathbf{A}^{-1}) = \|\mathbf{B}^{-1} - \mathbf{A}^{-1}\| \rightarrow 0$ as $\mathbf{B} \rightarrow \mathbf{A}$.
Or in other words:

$$\lim_{\mathbf{B} \rightarrow \mathbf{A}} (\mathbf{B}^{-1}) = \mathbf{A}^{-1}. \blacksquare$$

Lecture 3: 4/9/2024

Let X and Y be vector spaces and fix two bases $\{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_n\}$ and $\{\vec{y}_1, \dots, \vec{y}_m\}$ of X and Y respectively. Then given any $\mathbf{A} \in L(X, Y)$, since $\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_j) \in Y$ for each $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, we have that there are unique scalars $a_{i,j}$ such that:

$$\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_j) = \sum_{i=1}^m a_{i,j} \vec{y}_i$$

For convenience, we can visualize these numbers in an $m \times n$ matrix:

$$[\mathbf{A}] = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} & a_{m,2} & \cdots & a_{m,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that for each $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, we have that the j th column of $[\mathbf{A}]$ gives the coordinates of $\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_j)$ with respect to the basis $\{\vec{y}_1, \dots, \vec{y}_m\}$. Thus, we call the vectors $\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_j)$ the column vectors of $[\mathbf{A}]$.

Fact 1: Given any $\vec{x} \in X$, there are unique scalars c_1, \dots, c_n such that

$$\vec{x} = \sum_{j=1}^n c_j \vec{x}_j. \text{ Then, the coordinates of } \mathbf{A}(\vec{x}) \text{ with respect to our basis of } Y$$

is given by the commonly defined matrix-vector product:

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} & a_{m,2} & \cdots & a_{m,n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix}$$

This is true because \mathbf{A} is linear. Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}) &= \mathbf{A}\left(\sum_{j=1}^n c_j \vec{x}_j\right) = \sum_{j=1}^n c_j \mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_j) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n c_j \left(\sum_{i=1}^m a_{i,j} \vec{y}_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^m \left(\sum_{j=1}^n c_j a_{i,j}\right) \vec{y}_i\end{aligned}$$

Fact 2: When we said how to generate an $m \times n$ matrix $[\mathbf{A}]$ for any $\mathbf{A} \in L(X, Y)$, we were implicitly creating a mapping $\phi : L(X, Y) \longrightarrow \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ (the set of $m \times n$ real matrices). Importantly, this map is invertible.

Let us define a mapping $\varphi : \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R}) \longrightarrow L(X, Y)$ such that for any $[\mathbf{B}] \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ where

$$[\mathbf{B}] = \begin{bmatrix} b_{1,1} & b_{1,2} & \cdots & b_{1,n} \\ b_{2,1} & b_{2,2} & \cdots & b_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{m,1} & b_{m,2} & \cdots & b_{m,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

...we define $\varphi([\mathbf{B}]) \in L(X, Y)$ by $\varphi([\mathbf{B}])(\vec{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^m \left(\sum_{j=1}^n c_j b_{i,j}\right) \vec{y}_i$ where c_1, \dots, c_n are the coefficients such that $\vec{x} = \sum_{j=1}^n c_j \vec{x}_j$.

Firstly, $\varphi([\mathbf{B}])$ is well defined because c_1, \dots, c_n are unique with respect to our basis of X . Also, $\varphi([\mathbf{B}])$ is linear because sums are linear.

Meanwhile, by fact 1 we know that for any $\mathbf{A} \in L(X, Y)$, $\mathbf{A} = \varphi(\phi(\mathbf{A}))$. At the same time, you can easily check that for any $[\mathbf{B}] \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$, $[\mathbf{B}] = \phi(\varphi([\mathbf{B}]))$. Hence, $\varphi = \phi^{-1}$.

Thus, from now on we shall say that the linear map \mathbf{A} and matrix $[\mathbf{A}]$ are associated with each other if $\phi(\mathbf{A}) = [\mathbf{A}]$ and $\varphi([\mathbf{A}]) = \mathbf{A}$.

Fact 3: In addition to our bases for X and Y , fix $\{\vec{z}_1, \dots, \vec{z}_p\}$ as our basis for Z . Then, given the linear maps $\mathbf{A} \in L(X, Y)$ and $\mathbf{B} \in L(Y, Z)$ and their associated matrices $[\mathbf{A}] \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ and $[\mathbf{B}] \in \mathcal{M}_{p \times m}(\mathbb{R})$, we have that the map \mathbf{BA} is associated with the matrix $[\mathbf{B}][\mathbf{A}]$.

Let us use $a_{i,j}$ and $b_{k,i}$ to refer to the entries of $[\mathbf{A}]$ and $[\mathbf{B}]$ respectively. Then note that:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{BA}(\vec{x}_j) &= \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A}(\vec{x}_j)) = \mathbf{B}\left(\sum_{i=1}^m a_{i,j} \vec{y}_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^m a_{i,j} \mathbf{B}(\vec{y}_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m a_{i,j} \left(\sum_{k=1}^p b_{k,i} \vec{z}_k\right) = \sum_{k=1}^p \left(\sum_{i=1}^m (a_{i,j} b_{k,i})\right) \vec{z}_k\end{aligned}$$

So, the (k, j) th. entry of the matrix associated with \mathbf{BA} is $\sum_{i=1}^m b_{k,i} a_{i,j}$.

Hence, the matrix associated with the map \mathbf{BA} is precisely the matrix product $[\mathbf{B}][\mathbf{A}]$.

Fact 4: Suppose that \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} are linear maps in $L(X, Y)$ and that c_1 and c_2 are scalars. Then the matrix $c_1[\mathbf{A}] + c_2[\mathbf{B}]$ is associated with the linear map $c_1\mathbf{A} + c_2\mathbf{B}$.

This is rather trivial to prove compared to the other facts. So, since I'm really behind, I'm just not going to prove it here. Frick you <3.

Now from a rigor point of view, we'd rather work with linear maps than matrices. This is because the definition of a matrix depends on what bases we fix, whereas linear maps are defined independently of any bases. That said, matrices are too convenient to not be discussed.

Going forward, here are three notational things from linear we shall adopt when talking about linear maps:

1. We shall abbreviate $\mathbf{A}(\vec{x})$ as $\mathbf{A}\vec{x}$.
2. We shall denote $\mathbf{0} \in L(X, Y)$ as the linear map with $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}) = X$. After all, $[\mathbf{0}]$ is the zero matrix.
3. We shall denote $\mathbf{I} \in L(X)$ as the identity map on X . After all, $[\mathbf{I}]$ is the identity matrix.

Since an $m \times n$ matrix can be thought of as a list of $m \cdot n$ numbers, the "natural" norm to equip $\mathcal{M}_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ with is:

$$\|[\mathbf{A}]\|_F = \left(\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n (a_{i,j})^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Note on my notation:

Since I view $|\cdot|$ as having already been reserved for the absolute value function, I am not going to use the same notation as Rudin and my professor use for this matrix norm. Rather, because this norm is also called the Frobenius norm, I shall denote it by $\|\cdot\|_F$.

Also, this is a valid norm for the same reasons that the vector Euclidean norm is a valid norm.

If we define $d([\mathbf{B}], [\mathbf{A}]) = \|[\mathbf{B}] - [\mathbf{A}]\|_F$, then we can treat $\mathcal{M}_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ as a metric space with the metric d .

Proposition: Using the standard bases for \mathbb{R}^n and \mathbb{R}^m , we have that for any associated linear map $\mathbf{A} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$ and matrix $[\mathbf{A}] \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ with coefficients $a_{i,j}$ for $1 \leq i \leq m$ and $1 \leq j \leq n$:

$$\|\mathbf{A}\| \leq \|[\mathbf{A}]\|_F$$

Proof:

Let $\vec{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Then by the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality:

$$\|\mathbf{A} \vec{x}\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^m \left(\sum_{j=1}^n a_{i,j} x_j \right)^2 \leq \sum_{i=1}^m \left(\sum_{j=1}^n a_{i,j}^2 \cdot \sum_{j=1}^n x_j^2 \right) = \|\vec{x}\|^2 \cdot \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n a_{i,j}^2$$

So $\|\mathbf{A} \vec{x}\|^2 \leq \|\vec{x}\|^2 \cdot \|[\mathbf{A}]\|_F^2$. Or in other words, $\|\mathbf{A}\|^2 \leq 1 \cdot \|[\mathbf{A}]\|_F^2$.

Corollary 1: Using the standard bases for \mathbb{R}^n and \mathbb{R}^m , consider any matrix $[\mathbf{A}] \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$. Then the mapping $[\mathbf{A}] \mapsto \mathbf{A}$ is continuous.

Proof:

Pick any matrices $[\mathbf{A}], [\mathbf{B}] \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ and let $\varepsilon > 0$. Then if $\|[\mathbf{B}] - [\mathbf{A}]\|_F < \varepsilon$, we have that $\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\| \leq \|[\mathbf{B}] - [\mathbf{A}]\|_F < \varepsilon$.

Corollary 2: Suppose that S is a metric space, that $a_{1,1}, \dots, a_{m,n}$ are real continuous functions on S , and that for each $p \in S$, \mathbf{A}_p is the linear map from \mathbb{R}^n to \mathbb{R}^m whose associated matrix is:

$$[\mathbf{A}_p] = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} & a_{m,2} & \cdots & a_{m,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

Then the mapping $p \mapsto \mathbf{A}_p$ is a continuous mapping of S into $L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$.

Proof:

Firstly, the mapping $p \mapsto [\mathbf{A}_p]$ is continuous for the same reason that a vector valued function is continuous if and only if its component functions are all continuous. Additionally, the mapping $[\mathbf{B}] \mapsto \mathbf{B}$ is continuous. Thus, because the composition of two continuous functions is itself continuous, we have that the mapping $p \mapsto \mathbf{A}_p$ is continuous.

To finish this lecture, here is one last helpful fact:

Lemma: For any associated map $\mathbf{A} \in L(X)$ and matrix $[\mathbf{A}] \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$, we have that \mathbf{A} is invertible if and only if $[\mathbf{A}]$ is invertible.

Proof:

If \mathbf{B} exists such that $\mathbf{BA} = \mathbf{I}$ and $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{I}$, then we have that $[\mathbf{B}][\mathbf{A}] = [\mathbf{I}]$ and $[\mathbf{A}][\mathbf{B}] = [\mathbf{I}]$. So $[\mathbf{B}] = [\mathbf{A}]^{-1}$.

Similarly, if $[\mathbf{B}]$ exists such that $[\mathbf{B}][\mathbf{A}] = [\mathbf{I}]$ and $[\mathbf{A}][\mathbf{B}] = [\mathbf{I}]$, then we have that $\mathbf{BA} = \mathbf{I}$ and $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{I}$. Hence, $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}$.

So, we have that \mathbf{A}^{-1} exists if and only if $[\mathbf{A}]^{-1}$ exists.
Also, $[\mathbf{A}^{-1}] = [\mathbf{A}]^{-1}$.

Lecture 4: 4/11/2024

Suppose that E is an open set in \mathbb{R}^n , and that f is a function from E to \mathbb{R}^m . Then consider any $\vec{x} \in E$. We say that f is differentiable at \vec{x} if there exists $\mathbf{A} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$ such that:

$$\lim_{\vec{h} \rightarrow \vec{0}} \frac{\|f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x}) - \mathbf{A}\vec{h}\|}{\|\vec{h}\|} = 0$$

Theorem 9.12: Suppose both \mathbf{A}_1 and \mathbf{A}_2 satisfy the above limit. Then $\mathbf{A}_1 = \mathbf{A}_2$.

Proof:

Note that:

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{A}_2 \vec{h} - \mathbf{A}_1 \vec{h}\| &= \|\mathbf{A}_2 \vec{h} + f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) + f(\vec{x}) - f(\vec{x}) - \mathbf{A}_1 \vec{h}\| \\ &\leq \|\mathbf{A}_2 \vec{h} + f(\vec{x}) - f(\vec{x} + \vec{h})\| + \|f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x}) - \mathbf{A}_1 \vec{h}\| \\ &= \|f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x}) - \mathbf{A}_2 \vec{h}\| + \|f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x}) - \mathbf{A}_1 \vec{h}\| \end{aligned}$$

It then follows that $\lim_{\vec{h} \rightarrow \vec{0}} \frac{\|\mathbf{A}_2 \vec{h} - \mathbf{A}_1 \vec{h}\|}{\|\vec{h}\|} = 0$.

So, let's fix $\vec{h}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{\vec{0}\}$. Then we know that $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|(\mathbf{A}_2 - \mathbf{A}_1)t\vec{h}_0\|}{\|t\vec{h}_0\|} = 0$.

But note that $\frac{\|(\mathbf{A}_2 - \mathbf{A}_1)t\vec{h}_0\|}{\|t\vec{h}_0\|} = \frac{|t|\|(\mathbf{A}_2 - \mathbf{A}_1)\vec{h}_0\|}{|t|\|\vec{h}_0\|} = \frac{\|(\mathbf{A}_2 - \mathbf{A}_1)\vec{h}_0\|}{\|\vec{h}_0\|}$.

Thus $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|(\mathbf{A}_2 - \mathbf{A}_1)t\vec{h}_0\|}{\|t\vec{h}_0\|} = \frac{\|(\mathbf{A}_2 - \mathbf{A}_1)\vec{h}_0\|}{\|\vec{h}_0\|}$ for all $\vec{h}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{\vec{0}\}$.

Thus we know that $(\mathbf{A}_2 - \mathbf{A}_1)\vec{h}_0 = \vec{0}$ for all $\vec{h}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Or in other words, $\mathbf{A}_2 = \mathbf{A}_1$.

Since any $\mathbf{A} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$ satisfying that $\lim_{\vec{h} \rightarrow \vec{0}} \frac{\|f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x}) - \mathbf{A}\vec{h}\|}{\|\vec{h}\|} = 0$ is unique, we denote $f'(\vec{x}) = \mathbf{A}$ and call $f'(\vec{x})$ the differential of f at \vec{x} .

Notes:

- If f is differentiable on all of E , then we say f is "differentiable in" E . In that case, note that f' can be interpreted as a function from E to $L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$.
- If we define $r(\vec{h}) = f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x}) - f'(\vec{x})\vec{h}$, then we can say that $f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x}) = f'(\vec{x})\vec{h} + r(\vec{h})$ where $\lim_{\vec{h} \rightarrow \vec{0}} \frac{\|r(\vec{h})\|}{\|\vec{h}\|} = 0$.
 - Proposition: If f is differentiable at \vec{x} , then f is continuous at \vec{x} .

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \|f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x})\| &= \|f'(\vec{x})\vec{h} + r(\vec{h})\| \\ &\leq \|f'(\vec{x})\vec{h}\| + \|r(\vec{h})\| \\ &= \|f'(\vec{x})\vec{h}\| + \|\vec{h}\| \frac{\|r(\vec{h})\|}{\|\vec{h}\|} \end{aligned}$$

Now because any $\mathbf{A} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$ is uniformly continuous, we know that $f'(\vec{x})\vec{h} \rightarrow \vec{0}$ as $\vec{h} \rightarrow \vec{0}$. Also, since both $\|\vec{h}\|$ and $\frac{\|r(\vec{h})\|}{\|\vec{h}\|}$ approach $\vec{0}$ as $\vec{h} \rightarrow \vec{0}$, we know their product does as well.

So by comparison we know that $\lim_{\vec{h} \rightarrow \vec{0}} \|f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x})\| = 0$.

Hence, $f(\vec{y}) \rightarrow f(\vec{x})$ as $\vec{y} \rightarrow \vec{x}$, which means that f is continuous at \vec{x} .

Here are some simple facts whose proofs are trivial.

- Sum Rule:
Suppose that both f and g are functions going into \mathbb{R}^m , and that both are differentiable at $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Then $(f + g)'(\vec{x}) = f'(\vec{x}) + g'(\vec{x})$.
- Scalar Multiplication Rule:
Suppose that f is a function going into \mathbb{R}^m that is differentiable at $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, and that $c \in \mathbb{R}$. Then $(cf)'(\vec{x}) = cf'(\vec{x})$.
- If $\mathbf{A} \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$, then for all $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\mathbf{A}'(\vec{x}) = \mathbf{A}$.

Theorem 9.15 (The Chain Rule): Suppose that $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ is open and that $f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is differentiable at $\vec{x}_0 \in E$. Also suppose that $f(\vec{x}_0)$ is in an open subset of $f(E)$, and that $g : f(E) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ is differentiable at $f(\vec{x}_0) = \vec{y}_0$. Then $F = g \circ f$ is differentiable at \vec{x}_0 and:

$$F'(\vec{x}_0) = g'(f(\vec{x}_0))f'(\vec{x}_0)$$

Proof:

Set $\mathbf{A} = f'(\vec{x}_0)$ and $\mathbf{B} = g'(\vec{y}_0)$. Then define the functions:

- $u(\vec{h}) = f(\vec{x}_0 + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x}_0) - \mathbf{A}\vec{h}$
- $v(\vec{k}) = g(\vec{y}_0 + \vec{k}) - g(\vec{y}_0) - \mathbf{B}\vec{k}$

Next, we define the function $\eta(\vec{k}) = \begin{cases} \frac{\|v(\vec{k})\|}{\|\vec{k}\|} & \text{if } v(\vec{k}) \neq \vec{0} \\ 0 & \text{if } v(\vec{k}) = \vec{0} \end{cases}$

Then, we always have that $\|\vec{k}\|\eta(\vec{k}) = \|v(\vec{k})\|$. Also, η is continuous at $\vec{k} = \vec{0}$. After all $v(\vec{0}) = \vec{0}$ and $\frac{\|v(\vec{k})\|}{\|\vec{k}\|} \rightarrow 0$ as $\vec{k} \rightarrow \vec{0}$.

With all that setup out of the way, we now need to show that:

$$\lim_{\vec{h} \rightarrow \vec{0}} \frac{\|F(\vec{x}_0 + \vec{h}) - F(\vec{x}_0) - \mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}\vec{h}\|}{\|\vec{h}\|} = 0.$$

So, put $\vec{k} = f(\vec{x}_0 + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x}_0)$ and note that:

$$\begin{aligned} F(\vec{x}_0 + \vec{h}) - F(\vec{x}_0) - \mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}\vec{h} &= g(\vec{y}_0 + \vec{k}) - g(\vec{y}_0) - \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A}\vec{h}) \\ &= \mathbf{B}\vec{k} + v(\vec{k}) - \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A}\vec{h}) \\ &= v(\vec{k}) + \mathbf{B}(\vec{k} - \mathbf{A}\vec{h}) \end{aligned}$$

Meanwhile, notice that $\vec{k} = \mathbf{A}\vec{h} + u(\vec{h})$. Therefore, we have that:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\|F(\vec{x}_0 + \vec{h}) - F(\vec{x}_0) - \mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}\vec{h}\|}{\|\vec{h}\|} &= \frac{\|v(\vec{k}) + \mathbf{B}(\vec{k} - \mathbf{A}\vec{h})\|}{\|\vec{h}\|} \\ &\leq \frac{\|v(\mathbf{A}\vec{h} + u(\vec{h}))\|}{\|\vec{h}\|} + \frac{\|\mathbf{B}(u(\vec{h}))\|}{\|\vec{h}\|} \\ &\leq \frac{\|\mathbf{A}\vec{h} + u(\vec{h})\|}{\|\vec{h}\|} \eta(\mathbf{A}\vec{h} + u(\vec{h})) + \|\mathbf{B}\| \frac{\|u(\vec{h})\|}{\|\vec{h}\|} \\ &\leq \left(\frac{\|\mathbf{A}\| \|\vec{h}\|}{\|\vec{h}\|} + \frac{\|u(\vec{h})\|}{\|\vec{h}\|} \right) \eta(\vec{k}) + \|\mathbf{B}\| \frac{\|u(\vec{h})\|}{\|\vec{h}\|} \end{aligned}$$

Now we know f is continuous at \vec{x}_0 because f is also differentiable there. So, $\vec{k} = f(\vec{x}_0 + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x}_0) \rightarrow \vec{0}$ as $\vec{h} \rightarrow \vec{0}$. That combined with the fact that η is continuous at $\vec{k} = \vec{0}$ means that $\eta(\vec{k}) \rightarrow 0$ as $\vec{h} \rightarrow \vec{0}$.

Combining that with the fact that $\frac{\|u(\vec{h})\|}{\|\vec{h}\|} \rightarrow 0$ as $\vec{h} \rightarrow \vec{0}$, we know that:

$$\left(\frac{\|\mathbf{A}\|\|\vec{h}\|}{\|\vec{h}\|} + \frac{\|u(\vec{h})\|}{\|\vec{h}\|} \right) \eta(\vec{k}) + \|\mathbf{B}\| \frac{\|u(\vec{h})\|}{\|\vec{h}\|} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \vec{h} \rightarrow 0.$$

Hence, we can conclude by comparison that:

$$\lim_{\vec{h} \rightarrow \vec{0}} \frac{\|F(\vec{x}_0 + \vec{h}) - F(\vec{x}_0) - \mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}\vec{h}\|}{\|\vec{h}\|} = 0.$$

Let $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be open and consider a function $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$. Also let $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ and $\{u_1, \dots, u_m\}$ be the standard bases of \mathbb{R}^n and \mathbb{R}^m respectively. Then, expressing f in terms of its component functions, we have that:

$$f(\vec{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^m f_i(\vec{x})u_i = (f_1(\vec{x}), \dots, f_m(\vec{x})).$$

Equivalently, we can write that $f_i(\vec{x}) = f(\vec{x}) \cdot u_i$.

Now for each $1 \leq j \leq n$ and $1 \leq i \leq m$, we define:

$$(D_j f_i)(\vec{x}) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_i(\vec{x} + te_j) - f_i(\vec{x})}{t}$$

Each of these $D_j f_i$ are called partial derivatives.

Note that to calculate the partial derivative $(D_j f_i)(\vec{x})$, all you need to do is treat all the components of \vec{x} as constant except the j th component. Then, the partial derivative is just a single variable limit with respect to that component.

Theorem 9.17: Suppose $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is open and that $f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is differentiable at a point $\vec{x} \in E$. Then all partial derivatives $(D_j f_i)(\vec{x})$ exist and:

$$f'(\vec{x})e_j = \sum_{i=1}^k (D_j f_i)(\vec{x})u_i.$$

Proof:

Fix $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ and note that since f is differentiable, we have that $f(\vec{x} + te_j) - f(\vec{x}) = f'(\vec{x})(te_j) + r(te_j)$ such that $\frac{\|r(te_j)\|}{\|te_j\|} \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow 0$.

Then as $\|te_j\| = |t|$, we have that $\left\| \frac{r(te_j)}{t} \right\| = \frac{\|r(te_j)\|}{|t|} = \frac{\|r(te_j)\|}{\|te_j\|} \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow 0$. Thus, $\frac{r(te_j)}{t} \rightarrow \vec{0}$ as $t \rightarrow 0$. And since $f'(\vec{x})(te_j) = tf'(\vec{x})e_j$, we have that: $\frac{f'(\vec{x})(te_j)}{t} + \frac{r(te_j)}{t} \rightarrow f'(\vec{x})e_j$ as $t \rightarrow 0$.

So, we now know that $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\vec{x} + te_j) - f(\vec{x})}{t} = f'(\vec{x})(e_j)$.

Next, consider that:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (f'(x)e_j) \cdot u_i &= u_i \cdot \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\vec{x} + te_j) - f(\vec{x})}{t} \\
 &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \left(u_i \cdot \frac{f(\vec{x} + te_j) - f(\vec{x})}{t} \right) \\
 &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{(f(\vec{x} + te_j) \cdot u_i) - (f(\vec{x}) \cdot u_i)}{t} \\
 &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_i(\vec{x} + te_j) - f_i(\vec{x})}{t} = (D_j f_i)(\vec{x})
 \end{aligned}$$

It immediately follows that $f'(\vec{x})e_j = \sum_{i=1}^k (D_j f_i)(x)u_i$.

As a result of the above theorem, we have that if f is differentiable at \vec{x} , then when using $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ and $\{u_1, \dots, u_m\}$ as our bases for \mathbb{R}^n and \mathbb{R}^m respectively, then:

$$[f'(\vec{x})] = \begin{bmatrix} (D_1 f_1)(\vec{x}) & (D_2 f_1)(\vec{x}) & \cdots & (D_n f_1)(\vec{x}) \\ (D_1 f_2)(\vec{x}) & (D_2 f_2)(\vec{x}) & \cdots & (D_n f_2)(\vec{x}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ (D_1 f_m)(\vec{x}) & (D_2 f_m)(\vec{x}) & \cdots & (D_n f_m)(\vec{x}) \end{bmatrix}$$

However, as I'm about to demonstrate, the converse of theorem 9.17 is not true. Thus, we can't automatically rely on calculating the partial derivatives of f to find the differential of f at \vec{x} .

Exercise 9.6: For $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, define $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{xy}{x^2+y^2} & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0 & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$

Then we can show that the partial derivatives of f exist at every point of \mathbb{R}^2 .

Clearly, we have that $(D_1 f)(x, y) = \frac{y(x^2+y^2)}{(x^2+y^2)^2}$ and $(D_2 f)(x, y) = \frac{x(x^2+y^2)}{(x^2+y^2)^2}$ when $(x, y) \neq 0$. Meanwhile, at $(x, y) = 0$ we have when $h \neq 0$ that:

$$\frac{f(h, 0) - f(0, 0)}{h} = \frac{\frac{0}{h^2+0} - 0}{h} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{f(0, h) - f(0, 0)}{h} = \frac{\frac{0}{0+h^2} - 0}{h} = 0$$

Therefore:

$$(D_1 f)(0, 0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h, 0) - f(0, 0)}{h} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad (D_2 f)(0, 0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(0, h) - f(0, 0)}{h} = 0$$

That said, $f(x, y)$ isn't even continuous at $(0, 0)$.

Whenever $y = x$, we have that $f(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}$. Hence, given the sequence $(x_n, y_n) = (\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n})$, we have that $(x_n, y_n) \rightarrow (0, 0)$ and that $(x_n, y_n) \neq (0, 0)$ for any $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$. But, $f(x_n, y_n) \not\rightarrow 0$.

Thus, $\lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow 0 \\ y \rightarrow 0}} f(x, y) \neq f(0, 0)$, which means f is not continuous at $(0, 0)$.

Since continuity is necessary for differentiability, this also demonstrates that the existence of partial derivatives does not imply a function is differentiable.

Let γ be a differentiable mapping from $(a, b) \subset \mathbb{R}$ to $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ where E is open and a and b are finite. Also let $f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function. Finally, define $g(t) = f(\gamma(t))$ for $a < t < b$. Then we know g is differentiable and that:

$$g'(t) = f'(\gamma(t))\gamma'(t).$$

Since g' is a real function, letting $\gamma(t) = (\gamma_1(t), \dots, \gamma_n(t))$ we can rewrite the above expression as:

$$g'(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n D_i f(\gamma(t)) \gamma'_i(t)$$

Now, this situation is so common that we have special notation just for it. Letting $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ be the standard basis for \mathbb{R}^n , we define the gradient of f at \vec{x} as:

$$\nabla f(\vec{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n D_i f(\vec{x}) e_i$$

Thus, $g'(t) = \nabla f(\gamma(t)) \cdot \gamma'(t)$.

Now suppose that $\gamma : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is defined such that $a < 0 < b$, $\vec{x} \in E$, and $\gamma(t) = \vec{x} + t\vec{u}$ where \vec{u} is a unit vector. Then we define the directional derivative of f at \vec{x} in the direction of \vec{u} as:

$$(D_{\vec{u}} f)(\vec{x}) = (f \circ \gamma)'(0) = \nabla f(\vec{x}) \cdot \vec{u}$$

From this it is really trivial to see that $|D_{\vec{u}} f(\vec{x})|$ is maximized when \vec{u} is a scalar multiple of $\nabla f(\vec{x})$.

To finish off lecture, note that if $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is open and $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is differentiable and written as $f(\vec{x}) = (f_1(\vec{x}), \dots, f_m(\vec{x}))$, then using the standard bases for \mathbb{R}^n and \mathbb{R}^m , we can abuse notation and say that:

$$[f'(x)] = \begin{bmatrix} \nabla f_1(\vec{x}) \\ \vdots \\ \nabla f_m(\vec{x}) \end{bmatrix}$$

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A set $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^k$ is convex if $t\vec{x} + (1-t)\vec{y} \in E$ whenever $x \in E, y \in E$, and $0 < t < 1$.

Theorem 9.19: Suppose that $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is convex and open, that $f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is differentiable, and there is a real number M such that $\|f'(x)\| \leq M$ for every $x \in E$. Then $\|f(\vec{b}) - f(\vec{a})\| \leq M\|\vec{b} - \vec{a}\|$ for all $\vec{a}, \vec{b} \in E$.

Proof:

Fix $\vec{a}, \vec{b} \in E$ and define $\gamma(t) = (1-t)\vec{a} + t\vec{b}$ for $0 < t < 1$. Next, define $\vec{g}(t) = f(\gamma(t))$ for $0 < t < 1$. Since E is both convex and differentiable, we know that both \vec{g} and \vec{g}' are well defined on the interval $(0, 1)$. So, by the mean value theorem for vector-valued functions (proposition 93 in the Math 140B notes), we know that for some $x \in (0, 1)$:

$$\|\vec{g}(1) - \vec{g}(0)\| \leq |1 - 0| \|\vec{g}'(x)\|$$

Or in other words, $\|f(\vec{b}) - f(\vec{a})\| \leq \|f'(\gamma(x))\| \|\gamma'(x)\| \leq M\|\vec{b} - \vec{a}\|$.

Corollary: If additionally $f'(\vec{x}) = \mathbf{0}$ for all $\vec{x} \in E$, then f is constant.

Proof:

If $f'(\vec{x}) = \mathbf{0}$ for all \vec{x} , then $M = 0$. So $\|f(\vec{b}) - f(\vec{a})\| = 0$ for all $\vec{a}, \vec{b} \in E$.

Let $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open set and $f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ be differentiable. Then f is called continuously differentiable if $f' : E \rightarrow L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$ is continuous. Or in other words, $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ s.t. $\|\vec{y} - \vec{x}\| < \delta \implies \|f'(\vec{y}) - f'(\vec{x})\| < \varepsilon$

When this is the case, we say f is a \mathcal{C}^1 -mapping and that $f \in \mathcal{C}^1(E, \mathbb{R}^m)$.

Theorem 9.21: Suppose f is a function from an open set $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ to \mathbb{R}^m . Then $f \in \mathcal{C}^1(E, \mathbb{R}^m)$ if and only if the partial derivatives $D_j f_i$ exist and are continuous on E for all $1 \leq i \leq m$ and $1 \leq j \leq n$.

Proof:

Let $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ and $\{u_1, \dots, u_m\}$ be the standard bases for \mathbb{R}^n and \mathbb{R}^m respectively.

(\implies) Say $f \in \mathcal{C}^1(E, \mathbb{R}^m)$. Then f is differentiable, which means that $(D_j f_i)(\vec{x}) = (f'(\vec{x})e_j) \cdot u_i$ exists for all $1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n$, and $\vec{x} \in E$.

Thus for any $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in E$, we have that:

$$\begin{aligned} |(D_j f_i)(\vec{y}) - (D_j f_i)(\vec{x})| &= |(f'(\vec{y})e_j) \cdot u_i - (f'(\vec{x})e_j) \cdot u_i| \\ &= |((f'(\vec{y}) - f'(\vec{x}))e_j) \cdot u_i| \\ &\leq \|((f'(\vec{y}) - f'(\vec{x}))e_j)\| \|u_i\| \\ &\leq \|f'(\vec{y}) - f'(\vec{x})\| \|e_j\| \|u_i\| \\ &= \|f'(\vec{y}) - f'(\vec{x})\| \end{aligned}$$

Now, since $f \in \mathcal{C}^1(E, \mathbb{R}^m)$, we know that for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $\|\vec{y} - \vec{x}\| < \delta \implies \|f'(\vec{y}) - f'(\vec{x})\| < \varepsilon$. Thus, by the above inequality, we also have that:

$$\|\vec{y} - \vec{x}\| < \delta \implies |(D_j f_i)(\vec{y}) - (D_j f_i)(\vec{x})| < \varepsilon.$$

(\Leftarrow) Firstly, we'll assume that $m = 1$. That way f is a real-valued function.

Fix $\vec{x} \in E$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. Then because E is open, there exists $r_0 > 0$ such that $B_{r_0}(\vec{x}) \subseteq E$. Additionally, because each partial derivative is continuous, there exists $r_j > 0$ such that:

$$\|\vec{y} - \vec{x}\| < r_j \implies |(D_j f)(\vec{y}) - (D_j f)(\vec{x})| < \frac{\varepsilon}{n}.$$

Set $R = \min\{r_0, r_1, \dots, r_n\}$. Then choose $\vec{h} = (h_1, \dots, h_n) \in B_R(\vec{x})$, and define \vec{v}_j such that $v_0 = \vec{0}$ and $v_j = \vec{v}_{j-1} + h_j e_j$ for each $1 \leq j \leq n$. Then note that:

$$f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^n \left(f(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_j) - f(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_{j-1}) \right)$$

Now for each $1 \leq j \leq n$, define $\tilde{f}_j(t) = f(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_{j-1} + th_j e_j)$. Then firstly, \tilde{f}_j is well defined on the interval $[0, 1]$ because:

- $\tilde{f}_j(1) = f(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_j) \in B_R(\vec{x})$
- $\tilde{f}_j(0) = f(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_{j-1}) \in B_R(\vec{x})$
- $B_R(\vec{x}) \subseteq E$ is convex.

Additionally, \tilde{f}_j is differentiable on $[0, 1]$ with:

$$\tilde{f}_j'(t) = h_j (D_j f)(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_{j-1} + th_j e_j)$$

Therefore, by the mean value theorem, there exists $\theta \in (0, 1)$ such that:

$$\tilde{f}_j(1) - \tilde{f}_j(0) = \tilde{f}_j'(\theta) = h_j (D_j f)(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_{j-1} + \theta h_j e_j)$$

Importantly, we have that $(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_{j-1} + \theta h_j e_j) \in B_R(\vec{x})$. Therefore:

$$|(D_j f)(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_{j-1} + \theta h_j e_j) - (D_j f)(\vec{x})| < \frac{\varepsilon}{n}$$

In turn, this means that:

$$\begin{aligned} |f(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_j) - f(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_{j-1}) - h_j (D_j f)(\vec{x})| \\ = |h_j (D_j f)(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_{j-1} + \theta h_j e_j) - h_j (D_j f)(\vec{x})| < |h_j| \frac{\varepsilon}{n} \end{aligned}$$

So now, we can say that:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x}) - \sum_{j=1}^n h_j (D_j f)(\vec{x}) \right| \\
 &= \left| \sum_{j=1}^n \left(f(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_j) - f(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_{j-1}) - h_j (D_j f)(\vec{x}) \right) \right| \\
 &\leq \sum_{j=1}^n \left| f(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_j) - f(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_{j-1}) - h_j (D_j f)(\vec{x}) \right| \\
 &< \sum_{j=1}^n |h_j| \frac{\varepsilon}{n} \leq \varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\|\vec{h}\|}{n} = \varepsilon \|\vec{h}\|
 \end{aligned}$$

And thus we have that: $\lim_{\vec{h} \rightarrow \vec{0}} \frac{\left| f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x}) - \sum_{j=1}^n h_j (D_j f)(\vec{x}) \right|}{\|\vec{h}\|} = 0$.

Note that $f'(\vec{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^n h_j (D_j f)(\vec{x}) \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R})$, and that $f'(\vec{x})$ is the sum of a bunch of continuous functions. Thus, $f'(\vec{x})$ is itself continuous at \vec{x} , meaning that f is a \mathcal{C}^1 -mapping.

Now that we've shown this theorem holds when $m = 1$, let's consider when $m > 1$. Let $f(\vec{x}) = (f_1(\vec{x}), \dots, f_m(\vec{x}))$ and then note that f is continuous at \vec{x} if and only if f_i is continuous at \vec{x} for each $1 \leq i \leq m$. Luckily, we already showed that all $D_j f_i$ being continuous for each $1 \leq j \leq n$ implies that f_i is continuously differentiable. Hence, having all $D_j f_i$ be continuous for each $1 \leq j \leq n$ and $1 \leq i \leq m$ implies that $f \in \mathcal{C}^1(E, \mathbb{R}^m)$.

Exercise 9.7: Suppose that f is a real-valued function defined in an open set $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$, and that the partial derivatives $D_1 f, \dots, D_n f$ are defined and bounded in E . Then we can prove that f is continuous in E .

Pick $M > |(D_j f)(\vec{x})|$ for all $1 \leq j \leq n$ and $\vec{x} \in E$. Then fix $\vec{x} \in E$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. Next, choose $r > 0$ such that $B_r(\vec{x}) \subseteq E$ and set $R = \min\{r, \frac{\varepsilon}{nM}\}$.

Like in the proof above, choose $\vec{h} = (h_1, \dots, h_n) \in B_R(\vec{x})$ and define \vec{v}_j such that $v_0 = \vec{0}$ and $v_j = \vec{v}_{j-1} + h_j e_j$ for each $1 \leq j \leq n$. That way:

$$f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^n \left(f(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_j) - f(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_{j-1}) \right)$$

Next, for each $1 \leq j \leq n$, define $\tilde{f}_j(t) = f(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_{j-1} + th_j e_j)$. Then like before, \tilde{f}_j is well defined on the interval $[0, 1]$ because:

- $\tilde{f}_j(1) = f(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_j) \in B_R(\vec{x})$
- $\tilde{f}_j(0) = f(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_{j-1}) \in B_R(\vec{x})$
- $B_R(\vec{x}) \subseteq E$ is convex.

Additionally, \tilde{f}_j is differentiable on $[0, 1]$ with:

$$\tilde{f}_j'(t) = h_j(D_j f)(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_{j-1} + th_j e_j)$$

Therefore, by the mean value theorem, there exists $\theta \in (0, 1)$ such that:

$$\tilde{f}_j(1) - \tilde{f}_j(0) = \tilde{f}_j'(\theta) = h_j(D_j f)(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_{j-1} + \theta h_j e_j)$$

And then because $|D_j f|$ is bounded by M :

$$\begin{aligned} |f(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_j) - f(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_{j-1})| &= |\tilde{f}_j(1) - \tilde{f}_j(0)| \\ &= |h_j(D_j f)(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_{j-1} + \theta h_j e_j)| \\ &= |h_j| |(D_j f)(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_{j-1} + \theta h_j e_j)| < |h_j| M \end{aligned}$$

So now:

$$|f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x})| \leq \sum_{j=1}^n \left| f(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_j) - f(\vec{x} + \vec{v}_{j-1}) \right| < \sum_{j=1}^n |h_j| M \leq \|\vec{h}\| \cdot nM$$

Hence, since $R = \frac{\varepsilon}{nM}$, we have that $|f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x})| < \varepsilon$ for any $\vec{h} \in B_R(\vec{x})$. So, f is continuous.

Exercise 9.8: Suppose that f is a differentiable real function on an open set $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$, and that f has a local maximum at a point $x \in E$. Then $f'(x) = \mathbf{0}$.

Proof:

Let $r > 0$ such that $B_r \subseteq E$ and $\|\vec{h}\| < r \implies f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) \leq f(\vec{x})$. Then pick any such $\vec{h} \in B_r$ and define $\gamma : (-1, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ by $\gamma(t) = \vec{x} + t\vec{h}$. Then note that $(f \circ \gamma)'(t) = f'(\vec{x} + t\vec{h})\vec{h}$.

Crucially, we know that $(f \circ \gamma)'$ reaches a local maximum at $t = 0$. And since $f \circ \gamma$ is a function mapping an interval of \mathbb{R} to \mathbb{R} , we know from Math 140B that $(f \circ \gamma)'(0) = f'(\vec{x})\vec{h} = 0$. Then as \vec{h} can be a scalar multiple of any vector, we must have that $f'(\vec{x}) = \mathbf{0}$.

Let X be a metric space with the metric d , and consider some $\varphi : X \longrightarrow X$. We call φ a contraction if there exists $c < 1$ such that for all $x, y \in X$:

$$d(\varphi(x), \varphi(y)) \leq c \cdot d(x, y).$$

Theorem 9.23 (Banach Fixed Point Theorem):

Let X be a complete metric space with metric d , and let $\varphi : X \longrightarrow X$ be a contraction. Then there exists a unique $x \in X$ such that $\varphi(x) = x$

Proof:

We can establish that x is unique if it exists very easily.

Assume $x, y \in X$ such that $\varphi(x) = x$ and $\varphi(y) = y$. Then:
 $d(x, y) = d(\varphi(x), \varphi(y)) \leq c \cdot d(x, y)$. Since $c < 1$, the only way that this is possible is if $d(x, y) = 0$. So, $x = y$.

Therefore, we now will focus on showing that x exists.

Pick any $x_0 \in X$ and then recursively define the sequence (x_n) by setting $x_{n+1} = \varphi(x_n)$ for all n . Then because f is a contraction, there exists $c < 1$ such that $d(\varphi(a), \varphi(b)) \leq c \cdot d(a, b)$ for all $a, b \in X$.

Hence, for all $n \geq 1$, we have that:

$$d(x_{n+1}, x_n) = d(\varphi(x_n), \varphi(x_{n-1})) \leq c \cdot d(x_n, x_{n-1}).$$

By induction, we thus get that $d(x_{n+1}, x_n) \leq c^n d(x_1, x_0)$ for all n (including 0).

Now consider that for any $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ such that $m > n \geq 1$, we have that:

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_m, x_n) &\leq \sum_{i=n}^{m-1} d(x_{i+1}, x_i) \leq d(x_1, x_0)(c^n + \dots + c^{m-1}) \\ &\leq d(x_1, x_0)c^n \sum_{i=1}^{m-n-1} c^i \leq \frac{c^n}{1-c} d(x_1, x_0) \end{aligned}$$

This shows that (x_n) is a Cauchy sequence. After all, for any $\varepsilon > 0$, we can set N such that $\frac{c^N}{1-c} d(x_1, x_0) < \varepsilon$. That way, for all $m > n > N$ we have that $d(x_m, x_n) < \varepsilon$.

So because X is complete, we know that (x_n) converges. Therefore let x equal the limit of (x_n) and consider any $\varepsilon > 0$.

Since $x_n \rightarrow x$, we know that there exists N such that $\forall m > N$, we have that $d(x, x_m) < \varepsilon/2$. And since m is a contraction, we also know that $d(\varphi(x), \varphi(x_m)) \leq c \frac{\varepsilon}{2} < \varepsilon/2$ for all $m > N$. Hence letting $m > N$:

$$d(\varphi(x), x) \leq d(\varphi(x), \varphi(x_m)) + d(x_{m+1}, x) < \varepsilon/2 + \varepsilon/2 = \varepsilon$$

And as ε is arbitrary, we thus know that $d(\varphi(x), x) = 0$. So, $\varphi(x) = x$.

Lecture 6: 4/18/2024

The Inverse Function Theorem:

Suppose that $f \in \mathcal{C}^1(E, \mathbb{R}^n)$ where $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is open, that $f'(\vec{a})$ is invertible for some $\vec{a} \in E$, and that $\vec{b} = f(\vec{a})$. Then:

- (A) There exist open subsets U and V of \mathbb{R}^n such that $\vec{a} \in U$, $\vec{b} \in V$, $f(U) = V$, and f is one-to-one on U .
- (B) If g is defined such that $(g \circ f)(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}$ for all $\vec{x} \in U$, then $g \in \mathcal{C}^1(V, \mathbb{R}^n)$ with $g'(\vec{y}) = f'(g(\vec{y}))$ for all $\vec{y} \in V$.

Proof of part A:

Set $\mathbf{A} = f'(\vec{a})$ and set $\lambda = \frac{1}{2\|\mathbf{A}\|^{-1}}$. Then since $f \in \mathcal{C}^1(E, \mathbb{R}^n)$, we know that there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $\vec{x} \in B_\delta(\vec{a}) \implies \|f'(\vec{x}) - \mathbf{A}\| < \lambda$.

So, for any r satisfying that $0 < r < \delta$ and $B_r \subseteq E$, set $U = B_r(\vec{a})$.

Then let $\vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and consider the function:

$$\varphi(\vec{x}) = \vec{x} + \mathbf{A}^{-1}(\vec{y} - f(\vec{x})) \quad (\text{defined for all } \vec{x} \in E).$$

Now firstly, observe that $f(\vec{x}) = \vec{y}$ if and only if \vec{x} is a fixed point of φ .

Proof:

(\implies) If $f(\vec{x}) = \vec{y}$, then $\varphi(\vec{x}) = \vec{x} + \mathbf{A}^{-1}(\vec{0}) = \vec{x}$.

(\impliedby) If $\varphi(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}$, then $\vec{0} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}(\vec{y} - f(\vec{x}))$. As $\text{null}(\mathbf{A}^{-1}) = \{0\}$, we therefore must have that $\vec{y} - f(\vec{x}) = \vec{0}$. So $f(\vec{x}) = \vec{y}$.

Secondly, note that $\varphi'(\vec{x}) = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}^{-1}f'(\vec{x}) = \mathbf{A}^{-1}(\mathbf{A} - f'(\vec{x}))$.

Therefore, assuming $\vec{x} \in U$, we know that:

$$\|\varphi'(\vec{x})\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\| \|\mathbf{A} - f'(\vec{x})\| < \|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\| \lambda = \frac{1}{2}$$

In turn, since $U = B_r(\vec{a})$ is convex, we can apply theorem 9.19 to say that $\|\varphi(\vec{x}_2) - \varphi(\vec{x}_1)\| \leq \frac{1}{2} \|\vec{x}_2 - \vec{x}_1\|$. Now, be aware that this does not imply that φ is a contraction because we still don't know where φ maps U to. However, this is enough information to do the proof on the previous page showing that φ has at most one fixed point on U .

Hence, f is one-to-one on U since for any $\vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, there can be at most one $\vec{x} \in U$ such that $\vec{y} = f(\vec{x})$.

Now, we move on to showing that $V = f(U)$ is open.

Let $\vec{y}_0 \in V$ and note that there exists a unique $\vec{x}_0 \in U$ such that $f(\vec{x}_0) = \vec{y}_0$. Also, because U is open, we know there exists $R > 0$ such that $\overline{B_R(\vec{x}_0)} \subset U$. So let B equal that closed ball.

Next, fix \vec{y} such that $\|\vec{y} - \vec{y}_0\| < \lambda R$ and define φ using \vec{y} as was described on the last page. Then note that:

$$\|\varphi(\vec{x}_0) - \vec{x}_0\| = \|\mathbf{A}^{-1}(\vec{y} - \vec{y}_0)\| < \|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|\lambda R = \frac{R}{2}$$

Therefore, we have that for all $\vec{x} \in B$:

$$\begin{aligned} \|\varphi(\vec{x}) - \vec{x}_0\| &\leq \|\varphi(\vec{x}) - \varphi(\vec{x}_0)\| + \|\varphi(\vec{x}_0) - \vec{x}_0\| \\ &< \frac{1}{2}\|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0\| + \frac{R}{2} < \frac{R}{2} + \frac{R}{2} = R \end{aligned}$$

Or in other words, $\vec{x} \in B \implies \phi(\vec{x}) \in B$.

Hence, φ is a contraction over B (for real this time). Also, because B is a closed and bounded subset of \mathbb{R}^n , we know B is compact and thus complete. So by theorem 9.23, φ has a fixed point $\vec{x} \in B$. It follows then that $\vec{y} \in V$.

Since \vec{y} was arbitrary, we thus know that $B_{\lambda R}(\vec{y}_0) \subseteq V$. So, V is open.

Proof of part B:

Based on the previous part, we know that f is a bijective map from U to V . So, there does exist g such that $(g \circ f)(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}$ for all $\vec{x} \in U$.

Now pick $\vec{y} \in V$ and $\vec{y} + \vec{k} \in V$. Then there exists $\vec{x} \in U$ and $\vec{x} + \vec{h} \in U$ such that $f(\vec{x}) = \vec{y}$ and $f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) = \vec{y} + \vec{k}$.

Next, having defined φ one more time using any $\vec{y}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ we have that:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) - \varphi(\vec{x}) &= \vec{x} + \vec{h} + \mathbf{A}^{-1}(\vec{y}_0 - f(\vec{x} + \vec{h})) - \vec{x} - \mathbf{A}^{-1}(\vec{y}_0 - f(\vec{x})) \\ &= \vec{h} + \mathbf{A}^{-1}(f(\vec{x}) - f(\vec{x} + \vec{h})) \\ &= \vec{h} - \mathbf{A}^{-1}\vec{k} \end{aligned}$$

At the same time, we know from part A that $\|\varphi(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) - \varphi(\vec{x})\| < \frac{1}{2}\|\vec{h}\|$.

Therefore, we have that $\|\vec{h} - \mathbf{A}^{-1}\vec{k}\| \leq \frac{1}{2}\|\vec{h}\|$, and in turn this means that $\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\vec{k}\| \geq \frac{1}{2}\|\vec{h}\|$.

This is because $\|\vec{h}\| \leq \|\vec{h} - \mathbf{A}^{-1}\vec{k}\| + \|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\vec{k}\| \leq \frac{1}{2}\|\vec{h}\| + \|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\vec{k}\|$.

So $\|\vec{h}\| \leq 2\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\vec{k}\| \leq 2\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|\|\vec{k}\| = \frac{1}{\lambda}\|\vec{k}\|$.

Then, because $\vec{x} \in U$, we know that $\|f'(\vec{x}) - \mathbf{A}\| \leq \lambda < \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|}$. Thus, $f'(\vec{x})$ has an inverse which we shall call \mathbf{T} . Now note that:

$$\begin{aligned} g(\vec{y} + \vec{k}) - g(\vec{y}) - \mathbf{T}\vec{k} &= \vec{h} - \mathbf{T}\vec{k} \\ &= \mathbf{T}f'(\vec{x})\vec{h} - \mathbf{T}(f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x})) \\ &= -\mathbf{T}(f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x}) - f'(\vec{x})\vec{h}) \end{aligned}$$

Combining that with the fact that $\|\vec{h}\|\lambda \leq \|\vec{k}\|$, we know that:

$$\frac{\|g(\vec{y} + \vec{k}) - g(\vec{y}) - \mathbf{T}\vec{k}\|}{\|\vec{k}\|} \leq \frac{\|\mathbf{T}\|}{\lambda} \cdot \frac{\|f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x}) - f'(\vec{x})\vec{h}\|}{\|\vec{h}\|}$$

So because $\vec{h} \rightarrow \vec{0}$ as $\vec{k} \rightarrow \vec{0}$, we know that $\lim_{\vec{k} \rightarrow \vec{0}} \frac{\|g(\vec{y} + \vec{k}) - g(\vec{y}) - \mathbf{T}\vec{k}\|}{\|\vec{k}\|} = 0$. And thus $g'(\vec{y}) = \mathbf{T} = f'(g(\vec{y}))^{-1}$.

Importantly, \vec{y} was arbitrary. So we generally have that $g : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is differentiable with $g'(\vec{y}) = f'(g(\vec{y}))^{-1}$. Additionally, note that:

- g being differentiable implies that g is continuous.
- f' is continuous by the assumption of this theorem.
- The map $\mathbf{A} \mapsto \mathbf{A}^{-1}$ is continuous by theorem 9.8.

Therefore, g' is the composition of three continuous functions, which means that g' is continuous. So $g \in \mathcal{C}^1(V, \mathbb{R}^n)$. ■

Corollary: If $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is open and $f \in \mathcal{C}^1(E, \mathbb{R}^n)$ satisfies that $f'(\vec{x})$ is invertible for every $\vec{x} \in E$, then for every open $W \subseteq E$, $f(W)$ is open.

This is a direct result of part A of the previous theorem.

Lecture 7: 4/25/2024

For the next theorem we need to go over some notation.

Given any $\vec{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\vec{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_m) \in \mathbb{R}^m$, we shall write (\vec{x}, \vec{y}) for the vector $(x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_m) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+m}$.

Also, given any $\mathbf{A} \in L(\mathbb{R}^{n+m}, \mathbb{R}^n)$, we shall define $\mathbf{A}_x(\vec{h}) = \mathbf{A}(\vec{h}, \vec{0})$ and $\mathbf{A}_y(\vec{k}) = \mathbf{A}(\vec{0}, \vec{k})$ for all $\vec{h} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\vec{k} \in \mathbb{R}^m$. That way, $\mathbf{A}_x \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n)$, $\mathbf{A}_y \in L(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{R}^n)$, and $\mathbf{A}(\vec{h}, \vec{k}) = \mathbf{A}_x \vec{h} + \mathbf{A}_y \vec{k}$.

Proposition: If $\mathbf{A} \in L(\mathbb{R}^{n+m}, \mathbb{R}^n)$ and if \mathbf{A}_x is invertible, then there corresponds to every $\vec{k} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ a unique $\vec{h} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $\mathbf{A}(\vec{h}, \vec{k}) = \vec{0}$. Specifically, this \vec{h} is equal to $-\mathbf{A}_x^{-1} \mathbf{A}_y \vec{k}$.

Proof:

$$\mathbf{A}(\vec{h}, \vec{k}) = \vec{0} \implies \mathbf{A}_x \vec{h} + \mathbf{A}_y \vec{k} = \vec{0} \implies \vec{h} = -\mathbf{A}_x^{-1} \mathbf{A}_y \vec{k}$$

Now what we want to do on the next page is extend this theorem somehow to a more general function $f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ where $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{n+m}$ is open.

Implicit Function Theorem:

Suppose that $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{n+m}$ is open and that $f \in \mathcal{C}^1(E, \mathbb{R}^n)$ satisfies that $f(\vec{a}, \vec{b}) = \vec{0}$ for some $(\vec{a}, \vec{b}) \in E$. Also, set $\mathbf{A} = f'(\vec{a}, \vec{b})$ and suppose that \mathbf{A}_x is invertible. Then:

- (A) There exists open sets $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{n+m}$ and $W \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ such that $(\vec{a}, \vec{b}) \in U$, $\vec{b} \in W$, and $\forall \vec{y} \in W$ there exists a unique \vec{x} such that $(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) \in U$ and $f(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) = \vec{0}$.
- (B) If we define $g : W \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ such that each $\vec{y} \in W$ is mapped to the unique \vec{x} described above, then $f(g(\vec{y}), \vec{y}) = \vec{0}$ for all $\vec{y} \in W$, $g(\vec{b}) = \vec{a}$, and $g \in \mathcal{C}^1(W, \mathbb{R}^n)$ with $g'(\vec{b}) = -\mathbf{A}_x^{-1} \mathbf{A}_y$.

Proof of part A:

Define $F : \mathbb{R}^{n+k} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n+k}$ by the rule $F(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) = (f(\vec{x}, \vec{y}), \vec{y})$. Then, $F \in \mathcal{C}^1(E, \mathbb{R}^{n+m})$.

(You can check that all the partial derivatives of F are continuous)

So, let us now consider $F'(\vec{a}, \vec{b})$. Importantly, you can check that $F'(\vec{a}, \vec{b})(\vec{h}, \vec{k}) = (f'(\vec{a}, \vec{b})(\vec{h}, \vec{k}), \vec{k})$. Immediately, this means if $F'(\vec{a}, \vec{b})(\vec{h}, \vec{k}) = \vec{0}$, we must have that $\vec{k} = \vec{0}$. Also note that $f'(\vec{a}, \vec{b})(\vec{h}, \vec{k}) = \mathbf{A}(\vec{h}, \vec{k}) = \mathbf{A}_x \vec{h} + \mathbf{A}_y \vec{k}$. Since \mathbf{A}_x is invertible and $\vec{k} = \vec{0}$, we know that $\mathbf{A}_x \vec{h} + \mathbf{A}_y \vec{k} = \vec{0} \implies \vec{h} = \vec{0}$.

Therefore, we have shown that:

$$F'(\vec{a}, \vec{b})(\vec{h}, \vec{k}) = \vec{0} \implies (\vec{h}, \vec{k}) = (\vec{0}, \vec{0}).$$

Or in other words, $F'(\vec{a}, \vec{b})$ is invertible.

Now by the inverse function theorem let U and V be open subsets of \mathbb{R}^{n+m} such that $(\vec{a}, \vec{b}) \in U$, $F(\vec{a}, \vec{b}) = (\vec{0}, \vec{b}) \in V$, and F is invertible going from U to V . Then set $W = \{\vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid (\vec{0}, \vec{y}) \in V\}$.

Clearly, W is open since V is open. Also, $\vec{b} \in W$. Finally, let $\vec{y} \in W$ and consider that $(\vec{0}, \vec{y}) \in V$. Therefore there is a unique $(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) \in U$ such that $F(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) = f((\vec{x}, \vec{y}), \vec{y}) = (\vec{0}, \vec{y})$. Obviously, this \vec{x} is also the unique vector satisfying that $(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) \in U$ and $f(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) = \vec{0}$.

Proof of part B:

Now let $g : W \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $g(\vec{y})$ satisfies that $f(g(\vec{y}), \vec{y}) = \vec{0}$ and $(g(\vec{y}), \vec{y}) \in V$ for all $\vec{y} \in U$. Also define $G : V \rightarrow U$ as the function inverting F on U .

By the inverse function theorem, $G \in \mathcal{C}^1(V, \mathbb{R}^{n+m})$. Also, for all $y \in \bar{W}$ we have that $(g(\bar{y}), \bar{y}) = G(F(g(\bar{y}), \bar{y})) = G(\bar{0}, \bar{y})$. Thus, by defining $\Phi : W \rightarrow V$ such that $\Phi(\bar{y}) = (g(\bar{y}), \bar{y})$, we know that $\Phi \in \mathcal{C}^1(W, \mathbb{R}^{n+m})$. And in turn, this means that $g \in \mathcal{C}^1(W, \mathbb{R}^n)$.

Finally, consider that $g(\bar{b}) = \bar{a}$ trivially. At the same time, note that $\Phi'(\bar{y})\bar{k} = (g'(\bar{y})\bar{k}, \bar{k})$ for all $\bar{y} \in W$ and $\bar{k} \in \mathbb{R}^m$. Thus, because $f(\Phi(\bar{y})) = \bar{0}$ for all $\bar{y} \in W$, we know that $f'(\Phi(\bar{y}))\Phi'(\bar{y}) = \mathbf{0}$ by chain rule. And when $\bar{y} = \bar{b}$, this becomes $\mathbf{A}\Phi'(\bar{b}) = \mathbf{0}$. So for all $\bar{k} \in \mathbb{R}^m$, we have that:

$$\mathbf{A}_x g'(\bar{b})\bar{k} + \mathbf{A}_y \bar{k} = \mathbf{A}(g'(\bar{b})\bar{k}, \bar{k}) = \mathbf{A}\Phi'(\bar{b})\bar{k} = \bar{0}.$$

It follows that $\mathbf{A}_x g'(\bar{b}) + \mathbf{A}_y = \mathbf{0}$. Or in other words, $g'(\bar{b}) = -\mathbf{A}_x^{-1}\mathbf{A}_y$. ■

Note that it is really easy to check if \mathbf{A}_x is invertible.

First, let e_1, \dots, e_n and u_1, \dots, u_m be the standard bases of \mathbb{R}^n and \mathbb{R}^m respectively. Next, fix $\{(e_1, \bar{0}), \dots, (e_n, \bar{0}), (\bar{0}, u_1), \dots, (\bar{0}, u_m)\}$ as our basis for \mathbb{R}^{n+m} and $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ as our basis for \mathbb{R}^n . Then we have that:

$$[\mathbf{A}] = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} [\mathbf{A}_x] & [\mathbf{A}_y] \end{array} \right]$$

So finally, check if $[\mathbf{A}_x]$ is invertible or not.

Let $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be open and suppose that $f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ has the partial derivatives $D_1 f, \dots, D_n f$. Then note that each partial derivative is itself a function from \mathbb{R}^n to \mathbb{R} . So, if each $D_j f$ is itself differentiable, then we define the second-order partial derivatives of f as $D_{i,j} = D_i(D_j f)$.

Additionally, if $D_{i,j} f$ is continuous in E for all $1 \leq i, j \leq n$, then we say that $f \in \mathcal{C}^2(E)$ (which is an abbreviation of the notation: $f \in \mathcal{C}^2(E, \mathbb{R})$).

Note that we're only limiting ourselves to non-vector-valued functions here for the sake of simplicity. Also, hopefully you can guess from this definition how an n th-order partial derivative is defined, and what it means for a function to be a \mathcal{C}^n -mapping.

Theorem: Let $f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ where $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is open. If $f \in \mathcal{C}^2(E)$, then $(D_{i,j}f)(\vec{x}) = (D_{j,i}f)(\vec{x})$ for all $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ and $\vec{x} \in E$.

Proof:

Let e_1, \dots, e_n be the standard basis of \mathbb{R}^n and let $Q \subset E$ be a closed rectangle with opposite vertices at \vec{x} and $\vec{x} + he_i + ke_j$ where $h > 0$ and $k > 0$. Then define:

$$\Delta(f, Q) = f(\vec{x} + he_i + ke_j) - f(\vec{x} + he_j) - f(\vec{x} + ke_j) + f(\vec{x})$$

Next, let $u(s) = f(\vec{x} + se_i + ke_j) - f(\vec{x} + se_i)$. Importantly, u is real function that is differentiable on $[0, h]$. So:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(f, Q) &= u(h) - u(0) \\ &= hu'(s_1) \quad \text{for some } s_1 \in (0, h) \quad (\text{by the mean value theorem}) \\ &= h((D_i f)(\vec{x} + s_1 e_i + ke_j) - (D_i f)(\vec{x} + s_1 e_i)) \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, define $v(t) = (D_i f)(\vec{x} + s_1 e_i + te_j) - (D_i f)(\vec{x} + s_1 e_i)$. Then $(D_i f)(\vec{x} + s_1 e_i + ke_j) - (D_i f)(\vec{x} + s_1 e_i) = v(k) - v(0)$ and v is a real function that is differentiable on $[0, k]$. So:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(f, Q) &= h(v(k) - v(0)) \\ &= h(kv'(t_1)) \quad \text{for some } t_1 \in (0, k) \quad (\text{by the mean value theorem}) \\ &= hk((D_{j,i}f)(\vec{x} + s_1 e_i + t_1 e_j)). \end{aligned}$$

Now importantly, we can use the exact same reasoning to say that $\Delta(f, Q) = hk((D_{i,j}f)(\vec{x} + s_2 e_i + t_2 e_j))$ for some $s_2 \in (0, h)$ and $t_2 \in (0, k)$.

So finally, consider that because $D_{j,i}f$ and $D_{i,j}f$ are continuous, we know that for all $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta_1, \delta_2 > 0$ such that:

- $\sqrt{s_1^2 + t_1^2} < \delta_1 \implies |(D_{j,i}f)(\vec{x} + s_1 e_i + t_1 e_j) - (D_{j,i}f)(\vec{x})| < \varepsilon/2$
- $\sqrt{s_2^2 + t_2^2} < \delta_2 \implies |(D_{i,j}f)(\vec{x} + s_2 e_i + t_2 e_j) - (D_{i,j}f)(\vec{x})| < \varepsilon/2$

Thus, set $\delta = \min(\delta_1, \delta_2)$ and pick any $h, k > 0$ such that $h^2 < \frac{\delta^2}{2}$ and $k^2 < \frac{\delta^2}{2}$. Then as $0 < s_1, s_2 < h$ and $0 < t_1, t_2 < k$, we know that both $\sqrt{s_1^2 + t_1^2} < \delta_1$ and $\sqrt{s_2^2 + t_2^2} < \delta_2$. So:

$$\begin{aligned} & |(D_{j,i}f)(\vec{x}) - (D_{i,j}f)(\vec{x})| \\ & \leq \left| \frac{\Delta(f, Q)}{hk} - (D_{j,i}f)(\vec{x}) \right| + \left| \frac{\Delta(f, Q)}{hk} - (D_{i,j}f)(\vec{x}) \right| \\ & = |(D_{j,i}f)(\vec{x} + s_1 e_i + t_1 e_j) - (D_{j,i}f)(\vec{x})| \\ & \quad + |(D_{i,j}f)(\vec{x} + s_2 e_i + t_2 e_j) - (D_{i,j}f)(\vec{x})| \\ & < \varepsilon/2 + \varepsilon/2 = \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

And since ε was arbitrary, we conclude that $(D_{j,i}f)(\vec{x}) = (D_{i,j}f)(\vec{x})$.
(Note that Rudin proves something stronger than this in his book.)

Exercise 9.13: Suppose f is a differentiable mapping of \mathbb{R} into \mathbb{R}^3 such that $\|f(t)\| = 1$ for every t . Then $f'(t) \cdot f(t) = 0$.

To prove this note that $0 = (1)' = (\|f(t)\|^2)' = (f(t) \cdot f(t))' = 2f'(t) \cdot f(t)$. Hence, $f'(t) \cdot f(t) = 0$. The geometric intuition for this is that the path traced out by $f(t)$ must be confined to the unit sphere. Therefore, $f'(t)$ must always be zero or perpendicular to $f(t)$.

Exercise 9.14: Define $f(0, 0) = 0$ and $f(x, y) = \frac{x^3}{x^2+y^2}$ when $(x, y) \neq 0$.

(a) D_1f and D_2f exist and are bounded on \mathbb{R}^2 .

By quotient rule, we know that when $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$:

$$\bullet (D_1f)(x, y) = \frac{x^4+3x^2y^2}{(x^2+y^2)^2} \quad \bullet (D_2f)(x, y) = \frac{-2x^3y}{(x^2+y^2)^2}$$

$$\text{Therefore } 0 \leq (D_1f)(x, y) = \frac{x^4+3x^2y^2}{x^4+2x^2y^2+y^4} \leq \frac{x^4}{x^4} + \frac{3x^2y^2}{2x^2y^2} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\text{and } |(D_2f)(x, y)| = \frac{x^2}{x^2+y^2} \cdot \frac{2|x||y|}{x^2+y^2} \leq 1 \cdot \frac{2|x||y|}{(|x|-|y|)^2+2|x||y|} \leq 1 \cdot 1 = 1.$$

Meanwhile, consider that when $(x, y) = (0, 0)$, we have that:

$$(D_1f)(0, 0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{x^3}{x^2+0} - 0}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{x} = 1 \text{ and } (D_2f)(0, 0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{0}{0+y^2} - 0}{y} = 0.$$

(B) If \vec{u} is a unit vector in \mathbb{R}^2 , then the directional derivative $(D_{\vec{u}}f)(0, 0)$ exists and its absolute value is at most 1.

$$\text{Let } \vec{u} = (u_x + u_y).$$

$$\text{Then } (D_{\vec{u}}f)(0, 0) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{(tu_x)^3}{(tu_x)^2+(tu_y)^2} - 0}{t} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{t^3 \cdot u_x^3}{t^2 \cdot u_x^2 + u_y^2}}{t} = \frac{u_x^3}{u_x^2 + u_y^2} = u_x^3$$

because $\|\vec{u}\|^2 = 1$. So, we've shown that $(D_{\vec{u}}f)(0, 0)$ exists.

$$\text{Also, because } |u_x| \leq 1 \text{ we know that } |(D_{\vec{u}}f)(0, 0)| = |u_x^3| \leq 1.$$

(C) Let $\gamma : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be any differentiable mapping with $\gamma(0) = (0, 0)$ and $\|\gamma'(t)\| > 0$ for all t . Setting $g(t) = f(\gamma(t))$, we have that g is differentiable at all $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Furthermore, if $\gamma \in \mathcal{C}^1(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}^2)$, then $g \in \mathcal{C}^1(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}^2)$.

Let $\gamma(t) = (x(t), y(t))$. Importantly, because $\gamma(t)$ is differentiable, we know that $x'(t)$ and $y'(t)$ exist for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$. At the same time, because D_1f and D_2f are continuous when $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$, we know that f' exists and is continuous when $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$.

Firstly, let's get the trivial case out of the way. Assume $\gamma(t_0) \neq (0, 0)$. Then by chain rule we know $g'(t_0) = f'(\gamma(t_0))\gamma'(t_0) = \nabla f(\gamma(t_0)) \cdot \gamma'(t_0)$ because f is continuously differentiable at $\gamma(t_0)$. Furthermore, if γ' is continuous at t_0 , then the above expression shows that g' is continuous at t_0 . This is because f is continuous in an open neighborhood around $\gamma(t_0)$, γ is continuous around t_0 , and $\gamma'(t_0)$ is assumed to be continuous around t_0 .

Now assume $\gamma(t_0) = (0, 0)$. Then observe that:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f(\gamma(t)) - f(\gamma(t_0))}{t - t_0} &= \frac{\frac{x^3(t)}{x^2(t) + y^2(t)} - 0}{t - t_0} = \frac{\frac{x^3(t)}{(t - t_0)^3}}{\frac{x^2(t) + y^2(t)}{(t - t_0)^2}} \\ &= \frac{\left(\frac{x(t) - 0}{t - t_0}\right)^3}{\left(\frac{x(t) - 0}{t - t_0}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y(t) - 0}{t - t_0}\right)^2} = \frac{\left(\frac{x(t) - x(t_0)}{t - t_0}\right)^3}{\left(\frac{x(t) - x(t_0)}{t - t_0}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y(t) - y(t_0)}{t - t_0}\right)^2} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, since $\|\gamma'(t_0)\| \neq 0$ we know that:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow t_0} \frac{g(t) - g(t_0)}{t - t_0} = \frac{(x'(t_0))^3}{(x'(t_0))^2 + (y'(t_0))^2} = \frac{(x'(t_0))^3}{\|\gamma'(t_0)\|^2}$$

So g is differentiable at t_0 .

Finally, still assuming that $\gamma(t_0) = (0, 0)$, consider that if γ' is continuous at t_0 , then we automatically have that $\frac{(x'(t))^3}{\|\gamma'(t)\|^2} \rightarrow \frac{(x'(t_0))^3}{\|\gamma'(t_0)\|^2} = g(t_0)$ as $t \rightarrow t_0$. At the same time, note that:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla f(\gamma(t)) \cdot \gamma'(t) &= \frac{x^5(t) + 3x^3(t)y^2(t) - 2x^3(t)y^2(t)}{(x^2(t) + y^2(t))^2} \\ &= \frac{x^5(t) + x^3(t)y^2(t)}{(x^2(t) + y^2(t))^2} = \frac{x^3(t)}{x^2(t) + y^2(t)} \text{ when } \gamma(t) \neq (0, 0). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, if we can only consider t such that $\gamma(t) \neq (0, 0)$,

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Sorry I can't figure this out. It's been a lazy unproductive few weeks.