

**Problem A:** Let  $F: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  be satisfy

$$F(tx) = tF(x)$$

for all all positive real numbers  $t$  and all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Assume  $F$  is differentiable at the origin. Show  $F$  is linear.

Pf Construct  $r_0(h) = F(0+h) - F(0) - Df(0)h = F(h) - Df(0)h$

Then that for  $t \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$

$$r_0(th) = F(th) - Df(0)(th) = tF(h) - tDf(0)h = tr_0(h)$$

Claim:  $\forall h \in \mathbb{R}^n, r_0(h) = 0$

(pf) Suppose for contradiction that for some  $h_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n, r_0(h_0) \neq 0$

$$\text{Then } \frac{\|r_0(h_0)\|}{\|h_0\|} = c \text{ for some } c > 0$$

$$\text{By homogeneity, for any } t > 0, \frac{\|r_0(th_0)\|}{\|th_0\|} = \frac{t\|r_0(h_0)\|}{t\|h_0\|} = \frac{\|r_0(h_0)\|}{\|h_0\|} = c$$

$$\text{then for } t \rightarrow 0, \|th_0\| \rightarrow 0 \text{ while } \frac{\|r_0(th_0)\|}{\|th_0\|} = c$$

$$\text{contradicting that } \lim_{\|h\| \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|r_0(h)\|}{\|h\|} = 0$$

This proves the claim.

So  $\forall h \in \mathbb{R}^n, F(h) = Df(0)h$  where  $Df(0) \in \text{Hom}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$

Thus  $F$  is a linear transformation.  $\square$

**Problem B:** Let  $A \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be open and  $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ . Suppose that the partial derivatives  $\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}$  ( $1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n$ ) exist and are bounded on  $A$ . Show that  $f$  is continuous on  $A$ .

Pf Claim  $f: A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m = \begin{pmatrix} f_1: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ \vdots \\ f_m: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \end{pmatrix}$  is continuous

at  $x_0 \in A$  iff  $\forall i \in \{1, \dots, m\}, f_i$  is continuous at  $x_0$ .

This directly follows from  $\|f(x) - f(x_0)\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m (f_i(x) - f_i(x_0))^2}$   
(if  $\forall x \in B_\delta(x_0)$  we have  $f(x) \in B_\epsilon(f(x_0))$ , then  $\forall f_i, f_i(x) \in B_{\epsilon/m}(f_i(x_0))$   
if for all  $i, \forall x \in B_\delta(x_0)$  we have  $f_i(x) \in B_{\epsilon/m}(f_i(x_0)) \Rightarrow f(x) \in B_\epsilon(f(x_0))$ )

There WLOG we can set  $m=1$

Assume  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j}$  ( $1 \leq j \leq n$ ) exist (for all  $x \in A$ ) and bounded

WTS:  $f$  is continuous on  $A$ .

Let  $\epsilon > 0$ .

Let  $x = x_0 + h$  where  $h \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Then  $h = \begin{pmatrix} h_1 \\ \vdots \\ h_n \end{pmatrix}$  for some  $h_1, \dots, h_n \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\text{let } p_0 = x_0$$

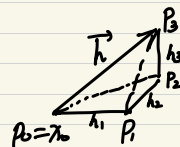
$$p_1 = p_0 + h e_1$$

$$\vdots$$

$$p_n = p_{n-1} + h e_n = x_0 + h$$

For each  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , let  $\varphi_i: [0, h_i] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

map  $s \mapsto f(p_{i-1} + s e_i)$



Then  $\forall s \in (0, h_i), \frac{d}{ds} \Big|_{s=s} \varphi_i(s) = \frac{d}{ds} \Big|_{s=s} f(p_{i-1} + s e_i) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} f(p_{i-1} + s e_i)$

Since all partials exist on  $A$  and bounded,  
all  $\varphi_i$  are differentiable on  $(0, h_i)$ ,

So by MVT,  $\forall i, \varphi_i(h_i) - \varphi_i(0) = \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} f(p_{i-1} + s_i e_i) \right) \cdot h_i$

for some  $s_i \in (0, h_i)$ , we write  $p_{i-1} + s_i e_i$  as  $q_i$

$$\text{Then } |f(x+h) - f(x)| = \left| \sum_{i=1}^n (f(p_i) - f(p_{i-1})) \right| = \left| \sum_{i=1}^n (\varphi_i(h_i) - \varphi_i(0)) \right|$$

$$= \left| \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} f(q_i) h_i \right) \right|$$

Since all partials are bounded by some  $M \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $|h_i| \leq \|h\| = \|x - x_0\|$

Thus we have:

$$|f(x) - f(x_0)| \leq n M \|x - x_0\|$$

This implies that  $f$  is Lipschitz on  $A$ , thus  
(uniformly) continuous (by hw 3).  $\square$

**Problem C:** Let  $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be defined by the equation:

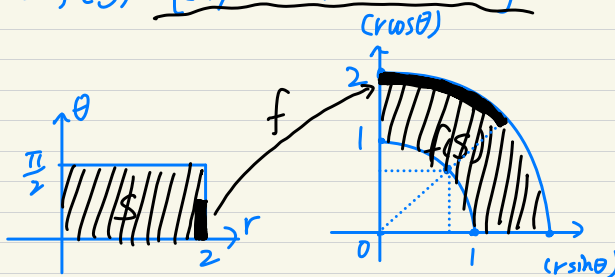
$$f(r, \theta) = (r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta).$$

- (1) Calculate  $Df$  and  $\det Df$ .
- (2) Let  $S = [1, 2] \times [0, \pi/2]$ . Find  $f(S)$  and sketch it.
- (3) Show that  $f$  is a homeomorphism from  $S$  on  $f(S)$  and compute the inverse function  $f^{-1}$ .
- (4) Compute  $Df^{-1}$  and  $\det Df^{-1}$ .
- (5) What relation can you find between  $Df$  and  $Df^{-1}$ ?

$$(1) Df = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial \theta} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -r \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & r \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det Df = r \cos^2 \theta + r \sin^2 \theta = r$$

$$(2) f(S) = \{(x, y) : 1 \leq x^2 + y^2 \leq 4 \text{ and } x, y \geq 0\}$$



(3) Claim 1:  $f: S \rightarrow f(S)$  is bijective

Pf it is surjective since we take  $f(S)$  to be in place of codomain

Now prove injectivity: suppose  $f(r_1, \theta_1) = f(r_2, \theta_2)$

$$\text{then } r_1 \cos \theta_1 = r_2 \cos \theta_2$$

$$r_1 \sin \theta_1 = r_2 \sin \theta_2$$

$$\Rightarrow r_1^2 \cos^2 \theta_1 + r_1^2 \sin^2 \theta_1 = r_2^2 \cos^2 \theta_2 + r_2^2 \sin^2 \theta_2 \Rightarrow r_1^2 = r_2^2 \Rightarrow r_1 = r_2 \text{ since } r_1, r_2 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta_1 = \cos \theta_2 \Rightarrow \theta_1 = \theta_2 \text{ since } \theta_1, \theta_2 \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2})$$

Claim 2.  $f$  is continuous.

Since  $f(r, \theta) = \begin{pmatrix} f_1(r, \theta) \\ f_2(r, \theta) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} r \cos \theta \\ r \sin \theta \end{pmatrix}$  where  $f_1, f_2$  are all continuous functions,  $f$  is always continuous.

Claim 3  $f^{-1}$  is continuous

$$\text{let } f(r, \theta) = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow x = r \cos \theta, y = r \sin \theta \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 = r^2$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \text{ since } r > 0;$$

$$\text{So } f^{-1}: f(S) \rightarrow S \text{ and } \tan \theta = \frac{y}{x} \Rightarrow \theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \text{ since } x, y > 0, x \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2}]$$

sending  $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \\ \tan^{-1}(\frac{y}{x}) \end{pmatrix}$ , which is continuous since  $f_1^{-1}, f_2^{-1}$  are continuous.

Claim 2 & 3 proves that  $f$  is a homeomorphism.

$$(4) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} r = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y} r = \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \theta = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) = \frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2},$$

$$\Rightarrow Df^{-1}(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} & \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \\ \frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2} & \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{r} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(5) Df \cdot Df^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow Df \cdot Df^{-1} = I_2$$

**Problem D:** Give an example of a function  $F: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  such that, at the origin, all directional derivatives exist and are zero, but  $F$  is not differentiable at the origin.

$$\text{Consider } F\left(\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{x^2 y}{x^2 + y^2} \\ \frac{x y^2}{x^2 + y^2} \end{pmatrix} \text{ for } \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } F\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D_{e_1} F(0, 0) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{F\left(\begin{pmatrix} t \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) - F\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right)}{t} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Similarly } D_{e_2} F(0, 0) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Since  $\forall u \in \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $u$  is a linear comb of  $e_1, e_2$  and  $D_u F(0)$  is linear in  $u$ , all directional derivatives exist and are 0 at origin:

$$D_u F(0) = D_{u_1 e_1 + u_2 e_2} f(0) = u_1 D_{e_1} f(0) + u_2 D_{e_2} f(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{The Jacobian matrix } J_F(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lim_{\| (x, y) \| \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x, y) - f(0, 0) - J_F(0) \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}}{\| (x, y) \|} = \lim_{\| (x, y) \| \rightarrow 0} \frac{\begin{pmatrix} \frac{x^2 y}{x^2 + y^2} \\ \frac{x y^2}{x^2 + y^2} \end{pmatrix}}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$$

Consider the sequence  $(x_n, y_n) = \left(\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$   
this sequence converge to 0 by norm.

$$\text{But } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{n^3}}{\left(\frac{1}{n^2} + \frac{1}{n^2}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^3} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{n^3} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \neq 0$$

Hence the Jacobian matrix is not the derivative of  $f$  at 0 which suffices to indicate that  $f$  is not differentiable at 0

**Problem E:** Define  $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by setting  $f(0) = 0$  and

$$f(x, y) = xy \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2}.$$

- (1) Show that  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$  and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$  exist at 0.
- (2) Compute  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$  and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$  for  $(x, y) \neq 0$ .
- (3) Show that  $f \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$ .
- (4) Show that

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$$

exist everywhere on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , but they are not equal at  $(x, y) = 0$ .

$$(1) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(0) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f\left(\begin{pmatrix} t \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) - f\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right)}{t} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{0}{t} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(0) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ t \end{pmatrix}\right) - f\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right)}{t} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{0}{t} = 0$$

(2) Claim product and quotient rule of differentiation holds for partial derivatives.

$$\text{Pf } \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(u(x, y)v(x, y)) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x+t, y)v(x+t, y) - u(x, y)v(x, y)}{t}$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x+t, y)(v(x+t, y) - v(x, y))}{t} + \frac{v(x, y)(u(x+t, y) - u(x, y))}{t}$$

$$= u(x, y) \frac{\partial v(x, y)}{\partial x} + v(x, y) \frac{\partial u(x, y)}{\partial x}$$

Quotient rule follows from the product rule.

Now we use the rules for calculation:

$$\text{for } \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \neq 0, \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x, y) = \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (xy) + xy \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2}\right)$$

$$\text{where } \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2}\right) = \frac{(x^2 - y^2)2x - (x^2 + y^2)2x}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \frac{4xy^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x, y) = y \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2} + \frac{4x^2 y^3}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} f(x, y) = \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (xy) + xy \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2}\right)$$

$$= x \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2} + x \frac{-4x^3 y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

(3) Since we have shown that for all  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , all partials at  $(x, y)$  exist, it suffices to show that  $\forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , all partials are continuous, in order to show that  $f \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$ . And since any directional derivative  $D_u f(x, y)$  is linear in  $u$ , it suffices to show that  $\forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x, y)$  and  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} f(x, y)$  are continuous.

Since  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x, y)$  and  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} f(x, y)$  are rational functions (thus ctn.) except at  $x=0$ , we only need to show that  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x, y)$ ,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} f(x, y)$  are ctn. at  $x=0$ .

$$\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x, y) = \lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} y \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2} + \frac{4x^2 y^3}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \in [-1, 1]$$

the expression is bounded by  $|3y|$ , so its limit when  $(x, y) \rightarrow 0$  is 0.

$$\text{Similarly, } \lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} f(x, y) = \lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} x \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2} + \frac{-4x^3 y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \in [-2, 0]$$

the expression is bounded by  $|3x|$ , so its limit when  $(x, y) \rightarrow 0$  is 0.

Notice that  $\mathbb{R}^2$  has no isolated pt., so  $f$  is ctn. at origin and thus ctn. since it is rational elsewhere

(4) Let  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} f(x, y) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( x \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2} + x \frac{-4x^3 y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \right) = \frac{x^6 + 9x^4 y^2 - 9x^2 y^4 - y^6}{(x^2 + y^2)^3}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x, y) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( y \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2} + \frac{4x^2 y^3}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \right) = \frac{x^6 + 9x^4 y^2 - 9x^2 y^4 - y^6}{(x^2 + y^2)^3}$$

So  $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y}$  and  $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial y \partial x}$  exists everywhere and equal except on the origin

On the origin:  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial y} f(0,0) \right) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial y} f(0,t) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} f(0,0)}{t} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{t-0}{t} = 1$   
 but  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(0,0) \right) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(t,0) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(0,0)}{t} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{-t-0}{t} = -1$

**Bonus:** Recall that an ultrametric space is a metric space where one has the following stronger than usual form of the triangle inequality:

$$d(x, z) \leq \max(d(x, y), d(y, z)).$$

- (1) Show that, in an ultrametric space, open balls are closed.
- (2) Show that, in an ultrametric space, if two balls intersect, one of the two must be contained in the other.
- (3) Show that, in an ultrametric space, every point of a ball is the center of the ball. That is, if  $y \in B_r(x)$ , then  $B_r(x) = B_r(y)$ .
- (4) Let  $G$  be a connected weighted undirected graph. (The weighting is the assignment of a positive number to each edge). Let  $V(G)$  be the set of vertices.

Given a path in the graph (a sequence of adjacent edges), define the length of the path to be the largest weight of an edge crossed by the path.

Given  $v, w \in V(G)$ , define  $d(v, w)$  to be the smallest length of a path from  $v$  to  $w$ .

Show that  $d$  is an ultrametric on  $V(G)$ .

- (5) Show that any finite ultrametric arises as in the previous part.

**Just for fun (don't hand in):** Imagine you have an electric car, and you live in a country that provides free charging stations, and you're not in a hurry. Why might you end up thinking about an ultrametric?

- (1) Let  $(X, d)$  be an ultra-metric space.  
 Suppose  $B = \{x : d(x, c) < r\}$  is an open ball in  $X$  centered at  $c \in X$ .  
 Let  $z \in X \setminus B \Rightarrow d(z, c) \geq r$

Consider  $B_r(z)$ : let  $a \in B_r(z)$ , then  $d(a, z) < r$   
 By ultrametric,  $d(z, c) \leq \max\{d(a, c), d(a, z)\}$

And since  $d(z, c) \geq r \Rightarrow \max\{d(a, c), d(a, z)\} \geq r$

We already know that  $d(a, z) < r$

Therefore  $d(a, c) \geq r \Rightarrow a \in X \setminus B_r(c) \Rightarrow B_r(z) \subseteq X \setminus B_r(c)$

Since  $z$  is arbitrary, this proves that  $X \setminus B_r(c)$  is open  
 $\Rightarrow B_r(c)$  is closed

Then we can conclude that every open ball is also closed in  $X$ .

- (2) Let  $(X, d)$  be an ultrametric space

Let  $B_r(x), B_s(y) \subseteq X$  be two open balls with  $B_r(x) \cap B_s(y) \neq \emptyset$   
 We only need to consider the case when  $x \neq y$  since if  $x = y$  WLOG suppose  $r \leq s$ . Then one ball must contain the other one.

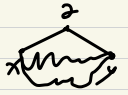
Let  $a \in B_r(x), z \in B_r(x) \cap B_s(y)$   
 $\Rightarrow d(z, x) < r, d(z, y) < s$   
 $\Rightarrow d(x, y) \leq \max\{d(x, z), d(z, y)\} < r \Rightarrow a \in B_s(y)$   
 $\Rightarrow B_r(x) \subseteq B_s(y)$   $\square$

- (3) This directly follows from (2):

Let  $y \in B_r(x) \Rightarrow B_r(y) \cap B_r(x) \neq \emptyset$   
 $\Rightarrow B_r(y) \subseteq B_r(x)$  and  $B_r(x) \subseteq B_r(y)$   
 $\Rightarrow B_r(y) = B_r(x)$

- (4) Positivity follows from the definition of the graph and  $\forall x, y \in V(G), d(x, y) = d(y, x)$   
 since the graph is undirected (every path commutes)

So it suffices to show  $d$  is an ultrametric by showing the ultra-triangular property



Let  $x, y, z \in V(G)$  s.t. there is at least one path from  $x$  to  $z$  and  $z$  to  $y$   
 We write the weight of an edge  $e$  as  $w(e)$  and the smallest weight of an edge cross a path  $p$  as  $L(p)$

Case 1: the smallest-length path between  $x, y$ , say  $P_{xy}$ , goes through  $z$ .

Then  $P_{xy} = P_{xz} \cup P_{zy}$  where  $P_{xz}$  is a path between  $x, z$  and  $P_{zy}$  is a path between  $z, y$

Then  $d(x, y) = L(P_{xy}) = \max\{L(P_{xz}), L(P_{zy})\}$

and  $d(x, z) = \min\{L(P): \text{path through } x, z\}$

$d(z, y) = \min\{L(P): \text{path through } z, y\}$

so  $L(P_{xz}) \leq d(x, z), L(P_{zy}) \leq d(z, y)$

Thus  $d(x, y) = L(P_{xy}) \leq \max\{d(x, z), d(z, y)\}$

Case 2: the smallest-length path between  $x, y$ , say  $P_{xy}$ , does not go through  $z$ .

Take path  $P_{xz}, P_{zy}$  s.t.  $L(P_{xz}) = d(x, z), L(P_{zy}) = d(z, y)$

Then let  $P_{xy}' = P_{xz} \cup P_{zy}$ , we have  $L(P_{xy}') = \max\{L(P_{xz}), L(P_{zy})\}$

Since  $d(x, y) = L(P_{xy}) \Rightarrow L(P_{xy}) \geq L(P_{xy}')$

$\Rightarrow d(x, y) = L(P_{xy}) \geq \max\{L(P_{xz}), L(P_{zy})\} = \max\{d(x, z), d(z, y)\}$

In both case the ultra-triangular ineq. holds true

This finishes the proof that  $d$  is an ultrametric on  $V(G)$

- (5) Let  $(X, d_u)$  be a finite ultrametric field with  $\#X = C$   
 WTS: we can construct a graph  $G = (X, E(G))$  endowed with metric  $d_g$  in (4), s.t.  $(X, d_u)$  is isometrically embedded into  $(G, d_g)$

Construction: for each  $v, w \in X$ , add an edge  $e(v, w)$  to  $E(G)$  with  $w(e(v, w)) = d_u(v, w)$

Then the graph will be a complete  $C$ -graph

By du.  $\forall x \in X, d(v, w) \leq \max\{d(v, x), d(x, w)\}$

So every path  $P$  through  $v, w$  has  $L(P) \geq w(e(v, w))$

So  $d_g(v, w) = w(e(v, w)) = d_u(v, w)$