**Definition 0.1. (Bounds).** Let  $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . Then...

- 1.  $u \in \mathbb{R}$  is called an upper bound of X if  $x \le u$ ,  $\forall x \in X$ .
- 2.  $l \in \mathbb{R}$  is called a lower bound of X if  $x \ge l$ ,  $\forall x \in X$ .

**Definition 0.2. (Extremum).** Let  $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be bounded. Then...

- 1.  $y = \sup(X)$  (<u>supremum</u> of X) if y is an upper bound and, y' is another upper bound, then  $y' \ge y$ .
- 2.  $z = \inf(X)$  (infinum of X) if z is an lower bound and, z' is another lower bound, then  $z' \le z$ .

Also if...

- 1.  $sup(X) \in X$ , then we call it the maximum of X.
- 2.  $\inf(X) \in X$ , then we call it the minimum of X.

**Definition 0.3. (Neighborhood).** Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ . Then

$$B_{\epsilon}(x) = \{ y \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid |x - y| < \epsilon \} \tag{0.1}$$

This is called an  $\epsilon$ -neighborhood of x.

**Definition 0.4. (Classification of points).** Let  $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then x is called

- interior point of X if  $\exists \epsilon > 0$  such that  $B_{\epsilon}(x) \subseteq X$ .
- boundary point of X if  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ ,  $B_{\epsilon}(x) \cap X \neq \emptyset$  and  $B_{\epsilon}(x) \cap X^{c} \neq \emptyset$
- exterior point of X if it is an interior point of X<sup>c</sup>

Notation: X = interior of X = set of all interior point of X.  $\delta X = \text{boundary of } X = \text{set of all boundary points of } X$ 

**Definition 0.5. (Closure).** X is called <u>open</u> if it only consists of interior points. X is called <u>closed</u> if its complement is open.

- $\Rightarrow$  X is open if it contains none of its boundary points.
- $\Rightarrow$  X is closed if it contains all of its boundary points.

**Definition 0.6. (Convergent sequence; limit of sequence).** A sequence  $i\mapsto a_i$ 

if points in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  converges to  $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  if

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \ \exists M \ \text{s.t.} \ m > M \Rightarrow |\mathbf{a}_{m} - \mathbf{a}| < \epsilon$$
 (0.2)

We then call **a** the limit of the sequence.

**Definition 0.7.** (Limit of a function). Let X be a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathbf{x}_0$  a point in  $\overline{X}$  (note  $\overline{X} = X \cup \delta X$ ). A function  $\mathbf{f} : X \to \mathbb{R}^m$  has the limit  $\mathbf{a}$  at  $\mathbf{x}_0$ :

$$\lim_{\mathbf{x} \to \mathbf{x}_0} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{a} \tag{0.3}$$

if  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t. } \forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{X}$ ,

$$|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0| < \delta \Rightarrow |\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{a}| < \epsilon$$
 (0.4)

Related Prop: If a function has a limit, it is unique.

**Definition 0.8. (Closure).**  $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ , define the closure of  $X: \overline{X} = X \cup \delta X$ 

**Definition 0.9. (Continuous function).** Let  $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ . A mapping  $f : X \to \mathbb{R}^m$  is continuous at  $x_0 \in X$  iff

$$\lim_{x \to \mathbf{x}_0} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_0); \tag{0.5}$$

**f** is continuous on X if it is continuous at every point of X. Equivalently,  $\mathbf{f}: X \to \mathbb{R}^m$  is continuous at  $\mathbf{x}_0 \in X$  if and only if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that when  $|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0| < \delta$ , then  $|\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_0)| < \varepsilon$ .

**Definition 0.10. (Bounded set).** A subset  $X \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is <u>bounded</u> if it is contained in a ball in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  centered at the origin:

$$X \subset B_R(0)$$
 for some  $R < \infty$  (0.6)

**Definition 0.11. (Compact set).** A nonempty subset  $C \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is <u>compact</u> if it is closed and bounded.

**Definition 0.12. (Derivative).** Let U be an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ , and let  $f: U \to \mathbb{R}$ 

be a function. Then f is differentiable at  $a \in U$  with derivative f'(a) if the limit

$$f'(\alpha) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{1}{h} (f(\alpha + h) - f(\alpha)) \quad \text{exists}$$
 (0.7)

**Definition 0.13.** (Derivatives in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ). Let  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be an open subset and let  $f: U \to \mathbb{R}^m$  be a mapping; let **a** be a point in U. If there exists a linear transformation (represented by a matrix)  $[\mathbf{D}f(x)] \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$  such that

$$\lim_{\vec{h} \to 0} \frac{1}{|\vec{h}|} (f(x + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x})) - [Df(x)]\vec{h} = \vec{0}$$
 (0.8)

then f is differentiable at a, and [Df(x)] is unique and is the derivative of f at a.

**Definition 0.14. (Partial derivative).** The right-hand side of # is called the <u>partial</u> derivative of # (with respect to the ith variable evaluated at #):

$$D_{i}f(\mathbf{x}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{1}{h} \begin{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_{1} \\ \vdots \\ x_{i} + h \\ \vdots \\ x_{n} \end{pmatrix} - f \begin{pmatrix} x_{1} \\ \vdots \\ x_{i} \\ \vdots \\ x_{n} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(0.9)$$

(Given such limit exists, of course). Therefore, we can calculate it by considering  $x_i$  the only variable, and holding all other components constant.

This limit is essentially the ith row in [Df] or [Jf].

**Definition 0.15. (Jacobian matrix).** The <u>Jacobian matrix</u> of a function  $\mathbf{f}: U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$  [i.e.  $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{a}) = (f_1(\mathbf{a}), \dots, f_n(\mathbf{a}))$ ] is the  $m \times n$  matrix composed of the n partial derivatives of  $\mathbf{f}$  evaluated at  $\mathbf{a}$ :

$$[\mathbf{Jf}(\mathbf{a})] = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{J}f \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{pmatrix} \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{bmatrix} D_1 f_1(\mathbf{a}) & \cdots & D_n f_1(\mathbf{a}) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ D_1 f_m(\mathbf{a}) & \cdots & D_n f_m(\mathbf{a}) \end{bmatrix}$$
(0.10)

**Definition 0.16.** (Directional derivatives). The directional derivative of **f** at **x** in

direction  $\vec{v}$  gives the rate of change of f as we step into direction  $\vec{v}$ . It is defined as

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x} + h\vec{\mathbf{v}}) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})}{h} \tag{0.11}$$

**Definition 0.17.** ( $C^p$  function). A  $\underline{C^p$  function on  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is a function that is p times continuously differentiable: all of its partial derivatives up to order p exist and are continuous on U.

**Definition 0.18.** (Newton's method). Let  $\vec{f}$  be a differentiable map from U to  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , where U is an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Newton's method consists of starting with some guesses  $\mathbf{a}_0$  for a sollution of  $\vec{f}(\mathbf{x}) = \vec{0}$ . Then linearize the equation at  $\mathbf{a}_0$ : replace the increment to the function,  $\vec{f}(\mathbf{x}) - \vec{f}(\mathbf{a}_0)$ , by a linear function of the increment,  $[\mathbf{D}\vec{f}(\mathbf{a}_0)](\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a}_0)$ . Now solve the corresponding linear equation:

$$\vec{f}(\mathbf{a}_0) + [\mathbf{D}\vec{f}(\mathbf{a}_0)](\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a}_0) = \vec{0}$$
 (0.12)

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$$a_0 = \text{initial guess}$$

$$a_{n+1} = a_n - [\overrightarrow{\mathbf{Df}}(a_n)]^{-1} \mathbf{f}(a_n)$$

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{\mathbf{f}(x)}{\mathbf{f}'(x_n)}$$

**Definition 0.19.** (Smooth manifold in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ). A subset  $M \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is a smooth k-dimensional manifold if locally it is the graph of a  $C^1$  mapping  $\mathbf{f}$  expressing n-k variables as functions of other k variables.