

Tier 1 Analysis

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Abstract

I was passed on an extensive collection of handwritten notes – totaling nearly 600 pages – for the Tier 1 Analysis Exam at Indiana University. Here I am translating it into L^AT_EX, adding my own solutions, and adding any material that I view necessary.

I currently do not know who the original author is.

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1 Problems

Theorem 1 (Finite Intersection Property ¹). *If $\{K_\alpha\}$ is a collection of compact subsets of a metric space X such that the intersection of every finite subcollection of $\{K_\alpha\}$ is nonempty, then $\bigcap K_\alpha$ is nonempty.*

Note that this may be any collection of compact sets. No countability is assumed.

Proof of Theorem 1. Suppose that $\bigcap K_\alpha$ is empty. Fix an arbitrary set $K \in \{K_\alpha\}$. Because $\bigcap K_\alpha$ is empty, for all $x \in K$ we have that $x \in K_\alpha^c$ for some α . Thus, $\bigcup (K_\alpha^c)$ is an open cover of K .

Because K is compact there is a finite subcover, $K_{\alpha_1}^c, \dots, K_{\alpha_n}^c$. That is, $K \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n (K_{\alpha_i}^c)$, so

$$K \cap \left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n K_{\alpha_i} \right) = \emptyset$$

This contradicts the hypothesis that the intersection of every finite subcollection of $\{K_\alpha\}$ is nonempty. So we conclude that $\bigcap K_\alpha$ is nonempty. \square

Problem 2. A map $f : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is *proper* if it is continuous and $f^{-1}(B)$ is compact for each compact subset $B \subset \mathbb{R}^n$; f is *closed* if it is continuous and $f(A)$ is closed for each closed subset $A \subset \mathbb{R}^m$.

(a) Prove that any proper map $f : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is closed.

(b) Prove that every one-to-one closed map $f : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is proper.

Supposedly this question is from August 1997, but I could find no record of this when combing through previous exams. Note that Tier 1 August 2010, #2 touches on the same topic of proper maps.

Proof of Problem 2 (a). Let $A \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ be closed. To show that $f(A)$ is closed, it is sufficient to show that $f(A)^c$ is open.

Let $q \in f(A)^c$ and consider $\overline{B}_\epsilon(q)$ the closed ball of radius ϵ about q . $\overline{B}_\epsilon(q)$ is closed and bounded in \mathbb{R}^n , so it is compact. Because f is proper, we have that $f^{-1}(\overline{B}_\epsilon(q))$ is also compact. Define the following sequence of decreasing compact sets,

$$U_j = A \cap f^{-1}(\overline{B}_{\epsilon_j}(q)),$$

where $\epsilon_0 = \epsilon$ and $\epsilon_{j+1} < \epsilon_j$. Note that each U_j is indeed compact, because $f^{-1}(\overline{B}_{\epsilon_j}(q))$ is compact for all j and A is closed.

$$\begin{aligned} \bigcap U_j &= A \cap \bigcap f^{-1}(\overline{B}_{\epsilon_j}(q)) \\ &= A \cap f^{-1}(q) \\ &= \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

The above intersection is empty by construction, as $q \in f(A)^c$.

By Theorem 1 – the finite intersection property for compact sets – because the intersection over all U_j 's is empty, there must be some finite subcollection of $\{U_j\}$ with empty intersection. Write this finite subcollection as U_1, \dots, U_n . Let N be the smallest such n and note because the U_j 's are nested, $\bigcap_{j=1}^N U_j = U_N$.

$$\begin{aligned} \bigcap_{j=1}^N U_j &= U_N \\ &= A \cap f^{-1}(\overline{B}_{\epsilon_N}(q)) \\ &= \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

Thus $f(A) \cap \overline{B}_r(q) = \emptyset$, where $r < \epsilon_N$. So $f(A)^c$ is open and we are done. \square

¹See [1] p.38

Proof of Problem 2 (b). Let $B \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be compact. Because \mathbb{R}^n is Hausdorff and B is compact, B is also closed. By the continuity of f , $f^{-1}(B)$ is also closed. To further show that $f^{-1}(B)$ is closed – and thus f is proper – we must now show that $f^{-1}(B)$ is bounded.

Let $K_j = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^m : \|x\| \geq j\}$. K_j is closed in \mathbb{R}^m for all j . Because f is a closed map, $f(K_j)$ is likewise closed for all j . Thus $f(K_j) \cap B$ is compact, and $\{f(K_j) \cap B\}_{n=1}^\infty$ is a decreasing sequence of compact sets. Additionally,

$$\begin{aligned} \bigcap (f(K_j) \cap B) &= B \cap \bigcap f(K_j) \\ &= B \cap f\left(\bigcap K_j\right) \end{aligned}$$

We achieve the final equality above by using the fact that f is injective, so $\bigcap f(K_j) = f(\bigcap K_j)$. Further, $\bigcap K_j = \emptyset$, so $B \cap f(\bigcap K_j) = \emptyset$. Again by Theorem 1 there must be some finite collection of $\{f(K_j) \cap B\}_{n=1}^\infty$ with empty intersection, and because these sets are nested there must be some index N such that

$$f(K_N) \cap B = \emptyset$$

Using injectivity once again and looking at the preimages we then see,

$$K_N \cap f^{-1}(B) = \emptyset$$

So for all $x \in f^{-1}(B)$, $\|x\| < N$. That is, $f^{-1}(B)$ is bounded and thus compact. So f is then proper. \square

Problem 3. Let the function $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfy the following two conditions:

1. $f(K)$ is compact whenever $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is compact.
2. If $\{K_n\}$ is a decreasing sequence of compact subset of \mathbb{R}^n , then

$$f\left(\bigcap_{n=1}^\infty K_n\right) = \bigcap_{n=1}^\infty f(K_n)$$

Prove that f is continuous.

Proof of Problem 3. Let $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\epsilon > 0$, and $K_n = \overline{B}_{1/n}(y)$. $\{K_n\}$ is a sequence of decreasing compact sets. By Item 1, $f(K_n)$ is also compact for each n . So $\{f(K_n)\}$ is likewise a sequence of decreasing compact sets.

Define $A = \mathbb{R}^n \setminus B_\epsilon(f(y))$. A is closed and each $f(K_n)$ is compact, so $A \cap f(K_n)$ is also compact. By Item 2, $\bigcap f(K_n) = f(\bigcap K_n)$. So,

$$\begin{aligned} \bigcap (A \cap f(K_n)) &= A \cap \bigcap f(K_n) \\ &= A \cap f\left(\bigcap K_n\right) \\ &= A \cap f(y) \\ &= \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

Note that the final equality above holds, as $f(y) \notin A$ by construction of A . Thus by Theorem 1 there exists an index N such that $A \cap f(K_N) = \emptyset$. Thus, $f(K_N) \subset A^c = B_\epsilon(f(y))$. So for $x \in B_\delta(y)$ we have $f(x) \in B_\epsilon(f(y))$ for $\delta < \frac{1}{N}$. That is, f is continuous at y , and because $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ was arbitrary f is continuous everywhere. \square

Theorem 4 (Tier 1 August 2015, #10). ²

Suppose K is compact, and

²See [1] p.150 and p.516

1. $\{f_n\}$ is a sequence of continuous functions on K ,
2. $\{f_n\}$ converges pointwise to a continuous function f on K ,
3. $f_n(x) \geq f_{n+1}(x)$ for all $x \in K, n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Then $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on K .

Proof of Theorem 4. Define $g_n = f_n - f$. Note we get entirely analogous conditions on g_n as were given for f . That is, Items 1 to 3 give us,

1. $\{g_n\}$ is a sequence of continuous functions on K ,
2. $\{g_n\}$ converges pointwise to 0 on K ,
3. $g_n(x) \geq g_{n+1}(x)$ for all $x \in K, n \in \mathbb{N}$.

To prove the desired statement, it is sufficient to show that $g_n \xrightarrow{\text{unif.}} 0$. Let $\epsilon > 0$ be given and let $E_n = g_n^{-1}([\epsilon, \infty))$. Because g_n is continuous, E_n is closed for all n . Further, E_n a closed subset of K and K is compact, so E_n compact. Note that E_n is a decreasing sequence of compact sets because of Item 3.

Because $g_n \xrightarrow{\text{p.w.}} 0$ on K , we have $\bigcap E_n = \emptyset$. So by Theorem 1, there is some index N such that $E_N = g_N^{-1}([\epsilon, \infty)) = \emptyset$. So for $x \in K$, we have $0 \leq g_N(x) < \epsilon$. Further, by Item 3 we have $g_n(x) \in [0, \epsilon)$ for $n \geq N, x \in K$. So $g_n \xrightarrow{\text{unif.}} 0$, and thus $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{unif.}} f$. \square

Problem 5. Let $F : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be a differentiable map such that $F(0) = 0$. Assume that

$$\sum_{j,k=1}^n \left| \frac{\partial F_j}{\partial x_k}(0) \right|^2 = c < 1.$$

Prove that there is a ball $B \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ with center 0 such that $F(B) \subset B$.

Proof of Problem 5. Because F is differentiable on \mathbb{R}^n , it is in particular differentiable at 0. So there exists a linear transformation $DF(0)$ ³ – i.e. the Jacobian matrix evaluated at 0 – such that,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|F(h) - F(0) - DF(0)(h)|}{|h|} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|F(h) - DF(0)(h)|}{|h|} \end{aligned}$$

Define $E(h) = F(h) - DF(0)(h)$ where $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|E(h)|}{|h|}$ ⁴ = 0. We may think of this as the error term when considering the derivative as an approximation of F in a neighborhood of 0. Thus,

$$F(h) = DF(0)(h) + E(h)$$

By the triangle inequality of $\|\cdot\|_{\mathbb{R}^n}$,

$$\begin{aligned} |F(h)| &\leq |DF(0)(h)| + |E(h)| \\ &\leq \sup\{|DF(0)(x)| : |x| = 1\}|h| + |E(h)| \end{aligned}$$

³This notation may be a little verbose, but I am choosing it here to be clear that the derivative of F is a map that assigns to each point p in the domain of F a linear transformation $DF(p)$. Another way to write this is $DF|_p$, however this notation didn't play nice with the absolute value bars in the above TeX.

⁴Another notational note: In this particular case, the norm of both the numerator and denominator is $\|\cdot\|_{\mathbb{R}^n}$. However in generality, the numerator and denominator do not have the same norm on them. The denominator belongs to the domain of F and the numerator belongs to the codomain. Even further, it may be more clear to indicate these norms with $\|\cdot\|_{\mathbb{R}^n}$, but I am not in the habit of writing this.

Using the substitution $A = \sup\{|DF(0)(x)| : |x| = 1\}$, we then rewrite this as,

$$\frac{|F(h)|}{|h|} \leq A + \frac{|E(h)|}{|h|} \quad (1)$$

Let $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $|x| = 1$ and consider the coordinates of $DF(0)(x)$.

$$(DF(0)(x))_i = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial F_i}{\partial x_k}(0)x_k$$

So by the triangle inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} |(DF(0)(x))_i| &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n \left| \frac{\partial F_i}{\partial x_k}(0)x_k \right| \\ &\stackrel{\text{C.S.}^5}{\leq} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \left| \frac{\partial F_i}{\partial x_k}(0) \right|^2 \right) \left(\sum_{k=1}^n |x_k|^2 \right) \\ &= \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \left| \frac{\partial F_i}{\partial x_k}(0) \right|^2 \right) |x| \\ &= \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \left| \frac{\partial F_i}{\partial x_k}(0) \right|^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

We then use this to find the norm of $DF(0)(x)$,

$$\begin{aligned} |DF(0)(x)| &= \sum_i \sum_k \left| \frac{\partial F_i}{\partial x_k}(0) \right|^2 \\ &= c \\ &< 1 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $A = \sup\{|DF(0)(x)| : |x| = 1\} \leq \sqrt{c} < 1$. Because $\frac{|E(h)|}{|h|} \rightarrow 0$ as $h \rightarrow 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that for $|h| < \delta$ we have $\frac{|E(h)|}{|h|} < 1 - \sqrt{c}$. Taking B to be the ball of radius δ about 0, we modify Eq. (1) appropriately as,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{|F(h)|}{|h|} &< \sqrt{c} + 1 - \sqrt{c} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

So $|F(h)| < |h|$ for $|h| < \delta$. That is to say, $F(B) \subset B$. □

Problem 6. Suppose that $E \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is open and that $f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is C^2 . Suppose also that $f''(x_0)$ is positive definite for some $x_0 \in E$. Prove that there is $r > 0$ such that $f''(x)$ is positive definite for $x \in N_r(x_0)$.

Proof of Problem 6. Proceed by contradiction. Suppose not, then for all $r > 0$ there exists $x \in B_r(x_0)$ such that $f''(x)$ is not positive definite – that is, for each x there exists $y \neq 0$ such that $\langle y, y \rangle_{f''(x)} \leq 0$

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⁵Cauchy-Schwartz Inequality

⁶I'm abusing notation a little here. $\langle y, y \rangle_{f''(x)}$ is meant to indicate that the Hessian can act as a bilinear form. We equivalently write this expression as $\langle y, y \rangle_{f''(x)} = \langle f''(x)y, y \rangle_{\mathbb{R}^n}$.

Problem 7. Let $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be C^2 . A point $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is a *critical point* of f if all the partial derivatives of f vanish at x . A critical point is *nondegenerate* if the $n \times n$ matrix $\left[\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}(x) \right]$ is non-singular.

Let x be a nondegenerate critical point of f . Prove that there is an open neighborhood of x which contains no other critical points (i.e. the nondegenerate critical points are isolated).

2 Exams Through August 2020

TODO: Uncomment when finished

References

- [1] Rudin, Walter. *Principles of Mathematical Analysis*. 3d ed, McGraw-Hill, 1976.