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Linear maps and matrices (Recollection)

Def: A map $\varphi: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ is **linear** if

- $\forall u, v \in \mathbb{R}^m, \varphi(u+v) = \varphi(u) + \varphi(v)$
- $\forall u \in \mathbb{R}^m, \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \varphi(\lambda u) = \lambda \varphi(u)$

Notation: $e_i^m = (0, \dots, 0, \underset{\substack{\text{with component} \\ m \text{ components}}}{1}, 0, \dots, 0)$

So that $(e_i^m)_{i=1, \dots, m}$ is the standard basis of \mathbb{R}^m

Remark: A linear map $\varphi: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ is entirely determined by the values $\varphi(e_i^m)$:

Let $u \in \mathbb{R}^m$, then $u = \sum_{i=1}^m u_i e_i^m$ and $\varphi(u) = \sum_{i=1}^m u_i \varphi(e_i^m)$
 (u_1, \dots, u_m)

Def: We denote by $(a_{ij})_{i=1, \dots, k}$ the components of $\varphi(e_j^m)$, where $\varphi: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ is linear
i.e.: $\varphi(e_j^m) = \sum_{i=1}^k a_{ij} e_i^k$

The **matrix** of φ (in the standard bases) is

$$\text{Mat}(\varphi) := \left(\begin{array}{cccc} \varphi(e_1^m) & \varphi(e_2^m) & \dots & \varphi(e_m^m) \\ a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1m} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2m} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{k1} & a_{k2} & \dots & a_{km} \end{array} \right) \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{\scriptsize } k \text{ rows} \\ \text{\scriptsize } k, m \end{array} \right\} \in M_{k,m}(\mathbb{R})$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{m \text{ columns}}$

Remark: φ is entirely determined by the above matrix.

Def: $M = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1m} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{k1} & \dots & a_{km} \end{pmatrix} \in M_{km}(\mathbb{R})$, $N = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & \dots & b_{1m} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{k1} & \dots & b_{km} \end{pmatrix} \in M_{km}(\mathbb{R})$


then $M+N := \begin{pmatrix} c_{11} & \dots & c_{1m} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ c_{k1} & \dots & c_{km} \end{pmatrix} \in M_{km}(\mathbb{R})$

where $c_{ij} = a_{ij} + b_{ij}$

Def: $M = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1\ell} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{k1} & \dots & a_{k\ell} \end{pmatrix} \in M_{k\ell}(\mathbb{R})$, $N = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & \dots & b_{1m} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{\ell 1} & \dots & b_{\ell m} \end{pmatrix} \in M_{\ell m}(\mathbb{R})$

$MN := \begin{pmatrix} c_{11} & \dots & c_{1m} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ c_{k1} & \dots & c_{km} \end{pmatrix} \in M_{km}(\mathbb{R})$

where $c_{ij} = \sum_{x=1}^{\ell} a_{ix} b_{xj}$

 $M_{k\ell} \times M_{\ell m} \rightarrow M_{km}$

The number of columns of the first matrix must be equal to the number of lines of the second matrix.

Prop: Let $\varphi: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\ell}$ and $\psi: \mathbb{R}^{\ell} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ be two linear maps

then the matrix of the linear map $\psi \circ \varphi: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ is

$\text{Mat}(\psi \circ \varphi) = \text{Mat}(\psi) \text{Mat}(\varphi)$

Prop: Let $\varphi: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ linear, $v = \sum_{i=1}^m v_i e_i^m \in \mathbb{R}^m$

then $\varphi(v) = \sum_{i=1}^k c_i e_i^k$ where

$\begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_m \end{pmatrix} = \text{Mat}(\varphi) \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_m \end{pmatrix} \in M_{ki}(\mathbb{R})$

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 $M_{km}(\mathbb{R})$ $M_{m1}(\mathbb{R})$

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Vector-valued functions

Def. $U \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ open set, $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$, $x_0 \in U$.

We say that f is **differentiable at x_0** if there exists a linear map $d_{x_0}f: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ s.t.

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0+h) - f(x_0) - d_{x_0}f(h)}{\|h\|} = 0$$

or equivalently $f(x_0+h) = f(x_0) + d_{x_0}f(h) + E(h)$

$$\text{with } \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{E(h)}{\|h\|} = 0$$

$d_{x_0}f: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ is called the **differential** or **total derivative** of f at x_0 .

Def. $U \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ open set, $f = (f_1, \dots, f_k): U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$, $x_0 \in U$

Assume that all the partial derivatives $\left(\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}(x_0) \right)_{\substack{i=1, \dots, k \\ j=1, \dots, m}}$ exist. Then we define the **Jacobian matrix** of f at x_0 by

$$Df(x_0) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1}(x_0) & \dots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_m}(x_0) \\ \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_k}{\partial x_1}(x_0) & \dots & \frac{\partial f_k}{\partial x_m}(x_0) \end{pmatrix}$$

Notation used in the textbook.

The notation $J_f(x_0)$ is very common

Theorem: $U \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ open, $f = (f_1, \dots, f_k): U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$, $x_0 \in U$.

f is differentiable at $x_0 \Leftrightarrow \forall i, f_i$ is differentiable at x_0 .

Moreover, if the above holds,

$$d_{x_0} f = (d_{x_0} f_1, \dots, d_{x_0} f_k): \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$$

Δ Notice that componentwise, if $\ell: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ is linear,

$$f(x_0+h) = f(x_0) + \ell(h) + E(h)$$

becomes

$$\begin{pmatrix} f_1(x_0+h) \\ \vdots \\ f_k(x_0+h) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x_0) \\ \vdots \\ f_k(x_0) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \ell_1(h) \\ \vdots \\ \ell_k(h) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} E_1(h) \\ \vdots \\ E_k(h) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{1}{\|h\|} E(h) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{E_1(h)}{\|h\|} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{E_k(h)}{\|h\|} \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence, it is enough to understand well the real-valued case: \square

Theorem: $U \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ open, $f = (f_1, \dots, f_k): U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$, $x_0 \in U$

If f is differentiable at x_0 then all the directional derivatives

$D_{\nu} f_i(x_0)$ exist ($i=1, \dots, k, \nu \in \mathbb{R}^m$)

And

$$\text{Mat}(d_{x_0} f) = D(f)(x_0) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1}(x_0) & \dots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_m}(x_0) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_k}{\partial x_1}(x_0) & \dots & \frac{\partial f_k}{\partial x_m}(x_0) \end{pmatrix}$$

△ We apply the result from the real-valued case to f_1, \dots, f_n and then use the previous theorem to get that

$$d_{x_0} f(e_i^m) = (d_{x_0} f_1(e_i^m), \dots, d_{x_0} f_n(e_i^m)) \\ = \left(\frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_i}(x_0), \dots, \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x_i}(x_0) \right)$$

Hence

$$\text{Mat}(d_{x_0} f) = \begin{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} d_{x_0} f(e_1^m) \\ \downarrow \\ \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1}(x_0) \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} d_{x_0} f(e_2^m) \\ \downarrow \\ \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2}(x_0) \end{matrix} & \dots & \begin{matrix} d_{x_0} f(e_m^m) \\ \downarrow \\ \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_m}(x_0) \end{matrix} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \begin{matrix} \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x_1}(x_0) \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x_2}(x_0) \end{matrix} & \dots & \begin{matrix} \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x_m}(x_0) \end{matrix} \end{pmatrix} \quad \square$$

Theorem: $U \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ open, $f = (f_1, \dots, f_n) : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $x_0 \in U$

If all the partial derivatives $\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}$ exist on U and are continuous at x_0 then f is differentiable at x_0 .

△ We apply the theorem from the real-valued case to f_1, \dots, f_n □

Theorem: If f is differentiable at x_0 then f is continuous at x_0

Proof: apply the result from the real-valued case to the components. QED

Ex: $f = (b_1, \dots, b_n) : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$

f is differentiable at $t_0 \in (a, b)$ iff $b_1'(t_0), \dots, b_n'(t_0)$ exist and then

$$Df(t_0) = \begin{pmatrix} b_1'(t_0) \\ \vdots \\ b_n'(t_0) \end{pmatrix}$$

In this case it is common to use the notation $f'(t_0)$ instead of $Df(t_0)$.

Comment: if f is differentiable at t_0 and $f'(t_0) \neq \vec{0}$ then:

① $f'(t_0)$ is tangent to the parametrized curve at $f(t_0)$

② $\Theta(h) = f(t_0) + hf'(t_0)$, $h \in \mathbb{R}$, parametrizes the tangent line of the parametrized curve at $f(t_0)$

See examples 2 and 3 in Section 2.2.

Ex: $U \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ open, $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $x_0 \in U$

If f is differentiable at x_0 then

$$Df(x_0) = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}(x_0) \dots \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_m}(x_0) \right)$$

Notice that $Df(x_0) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} h_1 \\ \vdots \\ h_m \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(x_0) \cdot h_i = \nabla f(x_0) \cdot h$

We recover the gradient from the previous section.

But be careful:

$Df(x_0)$ is the $1 \times m$ matrix of a linear map

$\nabla f(x_0)$ is a vector of \mathbb{R}^m