

Notes for DLE 7017 Mathematics

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① Vector spaces

Defn: A vector space is a set V , with elements $\underline{v} \in V$ called vectors, together with two operations

(a) addition: $V \times V \longrightarrow V$
 $(\underline{v}, \underline{w}) \mapsto \underline{v} + \underline{w}$

(b) Scalar multiplication: $\mathbb{R} \times V \longrightarrow V$
 $(r, \underline{v}) \mapsto r \cdot \underline{v}$

Such that the following conditions hold:

- i) $(\underline{u} + \underline{v}) + \underline{w} = \underline{u} + (\underline{v} + \underline{w})$ for all $\underline{u}, \underline{v}, \underline{w} \in V$
- ii) there is a zero vector $\underline{0} \in V$ with the property that $\underline{u} + \underline{0} = \underline{u}$ for all $\underline{u} \in V$
- iii) for each vector $\underline{v} \in V$, there is an additive inverse $-\underline{v} \in V$ with the property that $\underline{v} + (-\underline{v}) = \underline{0}$
- iv) $\underline{u} + \underline{v} = \underline{v} + \underline{u}$ for all $\underline{u}, \underline{v} \in V$
- v) $r \cdot (s \underline{v}) = (rs) \underline{v}$ for all $r, s \in \mathbb{R}, \underline{v} \in V$
- vi) $(r+s) \cdot \underline{v} = r \underline{v} + s \underline{v}$ for all $r, s \in \mathbb{R}, \underline{v} \in V$
- vii) $r \cdot (\underline{v} + \underline{w}) = r \underline{v} + r \underline{w}$ for all $r \in \mathbb{R}, \underline{v}, \underline{w} \in V$
- viii) $1 \cdot \underline{v} = \underline{v}$ for all $\underline{v} \in V$

Example: $V = \mathbb{R}^n$

Let $V = \mathbb{R}^n$, with vectors $\underline{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ and operations defined by

$$\text{i) } \underline{v} + \underline{w} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) + (w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n) \\ := (v_1 + w_1, v_2 + w_2, \dots, v_n + w_n)$$

$$\text{ii) } r \cdot \underline{v} = r \cdot (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) \\ := (rv_1, rv_2, \dots, rv_n)$$

It is straight-forward to check that this is a vector space, with $\underline{0} = (0, 0, \dots, 0)$ and $-\underline{v} = (-v_1, -v_2, \dots, -v_n)$.

Example: $V = C(I, \mathbb{R})$ — the set of all continuous functions

Let $V = C(I, \mathbb{R})$, where $f: I = [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$I = [0, 1]$ is the unit interval.

Then V is vector space, with operations defined by

$$\text{i) } (f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x) \quad \text{for } f, g \in V$$

$$\text{ii) } (rf)(x) = r \cdot f(x) \quad \text{for } r \in \mathbb{R}, f \in V$$

Note that if f, g are continuous fn. on I , then $f+g$ and rf are also cont. fn. on I .

Defn: A base of a vectorspace V is a set

$B = \{\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_n\}$ of vectors in V such that

- i) B is a linearly independent set of vectors
- ii) $V = \text{span}(B)$.

That is, any vector $\underline{u}$ in V can be written in the form $\underline{u} = c_1 \underline{u}_1 + c_2 \underline{u}_2 + \dots + c_n \underline{u}_n$ for a unique n -tuple $(c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Result:

Any vector space has a base. If there is a base B of V consisting on n elements, then any base of V has n elements.

Defn: The number of elements in a base of a vector space V is called the dimension of V , and is written $\dim(V)$.

Example:

- i) $V = \mathbb{R}^n$ is a vector space of dimension n
- ii) $V = C(\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{R})$ is an infinite-dimensional vector space
- iii) If $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is a subspace such that

a) $\underline{v}, \underline{w} \in V \Rightarrow \underline{v} + \underline{w} \in V$

b) $\underline{v} \in V, r \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow r \underline{v} \in V$

then V is a vector space called a linear subspace of V , and $\dim(V) \leq n$.

Defn: An inner product on a vector space V is a product

$$V \times V \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$(\underline{v}, \underline{w}) \mapsto \langle \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle$$

that satisfies the following conditions:

i) $\langle \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle = \langle \underline{w}, \underline{v} \rangle$ for all $\underline{v}, \underline{w} \in V$

ii) $\langle r\underline{u} + s\underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle = r\langle \underline{u}, \underline{w} \rangle + s\langle \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle$ for all $r, s \in \mathbb{R}$, $\underline{u}, \underline{v}, \underline{w} \in V$.

iii) $\langle \underline{v}, \underline{v} \rangle \geq 0$ for all $\underline{v} \in V$, and $\langle \underline{v}, \underline{v} \rangle = 0$ only if $\underline{v} = \underline{0}$.

We sometimes write $\underline{v} \cdot \underline{w}$ for $\langle \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle$, and call it a dot product. A vector space with an inner product is called an inner product space.

Example: Euclidean space

Let $V = \mathbb{R}^n$. Then the product

$$\langle \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle = \langle (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n), (w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n) \rangle$$

$$:= v_1 w_1 + v_2 w_2 + \dots + v_n w_n$$

is an inner product, called the Euclidean inner product. The vector space $V = \mathbb{R}^n$ with the Euclidean inner product is called Euclidean space.

Example:

Let $V = \mathbb{R}^n$, and think of a vector $\underline{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ as a column vector

$$\underline{v} = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Then the product defined by the matrix product

$$\langle \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle = \underline{v}^T A \underline{w}$$

is an inner product on $V = \mathbb{R}^n$ for any symmetric, positive definite $n \times n$ -matrix A :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i) } \langle \underline{w}, \underline{v} \rangle &= \underline{w}^T A \underline{v} = (\underline{w}^T A \underline{v})^T = \underline{v}^T A^T \underline{w} \\ &= \underline{v}^T A \underline{w} = \langle \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle \quad \text{since a } 1 \times 1\text{-matrix} \\ &\quad \text{is its own transpose, and } A \text{ is symmetric.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ii) } \langle r \underline{u} + s \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle &= (r \underline{u} + s \underline{v})^T A \underline{w} = (r \underline{u}^T + s \underline{v}^T) A \underline{w} \\ &= r \underline{u}^T A \underline{w} + s \underline{v}^T A \underline{w} = r \langle \underline{u}, \underline{w} \rangle + s \langle \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{iii) } \langle \underline{v}, \underline{v} \rangle &= \underline{v}^T A \underline{v} \geq 0, \text{ and } \underline{v}^T A \underline{v} = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{v} = \underline{0} \\ &\text{holds by defn. when } A \text{ is positive definite.} \end{aligned}$$

Notice that the special case $\underline{A} = \underline{I}$ gives the Euclidean inner product:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle &= \underline{v}^T \cdot \underline{I} \cdot \underline{w} = \underline{v}^T \cdot \underline{w} = (v_1 \ v_2 \ \dots \ v_n) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{pmatrix} \\ &= v_1 w_1 + v_2 w_2 + \dots + v_n w_n \end{aligned}$$

Theorem: (Cauchy-Schwartz inequality)

Let V be any inner product space. Then we have

$$|\underline{v} \cdot \underline{w}| \leq \sqrt{\underline{v} \cdot \underline{v}} \cdot \sqrt{\underline{w} \cdot \underline{w}}$$

for all $\underline{v}, \underline{w} \in V$.

Proof: Notice that $|-|$ means the absolute value of the real number $\underline{v} \cdot \underline{w}$, and that $\underline{v} \cdot \underline{v}, \underline{w} \cdot \underline{w} \geq 0$. The case $\underline{w} = \underline{0}$ is trivial, so we assume $\underline{w} \neq \underline{0}$:



Note that the projection of $\underline{v}$ onto $\underline{w}$ is given by

$$\text{proj}_{\underline{w}}(\underline{v}) = \frac{\langle \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle}{\langle \underline{w}, \underline{w} \rangle} \cdot \underline{w}$$

Hence $\underline{u} = \underline{v} - \frac{\langle \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle}{\langle \underline{w}, \underline{w} \rangle} \cdot \underline{w}$ is normal to $\underline{w}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \underline{u}, \underline{w} \rangle &= \langle \underline{v} - r\underline{w}, \underline{w} \rangle = \langle \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle - r \langle \underline{w}, \underline{w} \rangle \\ &= \langle \underline{u}, \underline{w} \rangle - \langle \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle = 0 \quad \text{with } r = \frac{\langle \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle}{\langle \underline{w}, \underline{w} \rangle} \end{aligned}$$

Such that $r \langle \underline{w}, \underline{w} \rangle = \langle \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle$. This gives

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \underline{v}, \underline{v} \rangle &= \langle \underline{u} + r\underline{w}, \underline{u} + r\underline{w} \rangle = \langle \underline{u}, \underline{u} \rangle + 2r \langle \underline{u}, \underline{w} \rangle \\ &\quad + r^2 \langle \underline{w}, \underline{w} \rangle = \langle \underline{u}, \underline{u} \rangle + r^2 \langle \underline{w}, \underline{w} \rangle \geq r^2 \langle \underline{w}, \underline{w} \rangle \\ &= \frac{\langle \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle^2}{\langle \underline{w}, \underline{w} \rangle^2} \cdot \langle \underline{w}, \underline{w} \rangle = \frac{\langle \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle^2}{\langle \underline{w}, \underline{w} \rangle} \quad \text{since } \langle \underline{u}, \underline{w} \rangle = 0, \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\langle \underline{v}, \underline{v} \rangle \cdot \langle \underline{w}, \underline{w} \rangle \geq \langle \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle^2$. The result follows by taking square roots, since $|\langle \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle| = \sqrt{\langle \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle^2}$. $\square$

Remark:

For any inner product space V , the projection of a vector $\underline{v}$ on a linear subspace $W \subseteq V$ is written $\text{proj}_W(\underline{v})$. It is also called the orthonormal projection.



$\underline{u} = \text{proj}_W(\underline{v})$ is the unique vector in W such that

$$\text{i) } \underline{v} = \underline{u} + (\underline{v} - \underline{u})$$

$$\text{ii) } \underline{u} \cdot (\underline{v} - \underline{u}) = 0$$

(that is, $\underline{v}$ can be decomposed in a component $\underline{u}$ in W and a component $\underline{v} - \underline{u}$ normal to W).

When W is a 1-dimensional subspace of V , spanned by a vector $\underline{w}$, then we

have that $\left\{ \text{proj}_W(\underline{v}) = \frac{\langle \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle}{\langle \underline{w}, \underline{w} \rangle} \cdot \underline{w} \right\}$ since

$$\underline{u} = \frac{\langle \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle}{\langle \underline{w}, \underline{w} \rangle} \cdot \underline{w} \text{ means that } \underline{u} \in W, \underline{v} = \underline{u} + (\underline{v} - \underline{u})$$

and $\underline{u} \cdot (\underline{v} - \underline{u}) = 0$ by the argument in the proof of Cauchy-Schwarz.

Defn: A norm on a vector space V is a function $V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that the $v \mapsto \|v\|$

following conditions hold:

i) $\|v\| \geq 0$ for all $v \in V$, and $\|v\| = 0$ only if $v = \underline{0}$.

ii) $\|r \cdot v\| = |r| \cdot \|v\|$ for all $r \in \mathbb{R}$, $v \in V$

iii) $\|v + w\| \leq \|v\| + \|w\|$ for all $v, w \in V$

Example: When $V = \mathbb{R}^n$ is Euclidean space, the Euclidean norm is defined by

$$\|v\| = \|(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)\| = \sqrt{v_1^2 + v_2^2 + \dots + v_n^2}$$

It is straight-forward to check that this is well-defined and satisfies the requirements for a norm.

Result: If V is an inner product space with inner product $\langle -, - \rangle$, the function

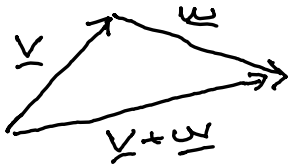
$$\|v\| = \sqrt{\langle v, v \rangle}$$

is a norm on V .

We think of a norm as a way to measure the length of a vector. The third axiom of a norm

$$\|\underline{v} + \underline{w}\| \leq \|\underline{v}\| + \|\underline{w}\|$$

is called the triangle inequality. We can picture it as



when $\underline{v}, \underline{w}$ are vectors in a Euclidean space.

2. Metric spaces

Defn. A metric on a space X is a function $d: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ which satisfies the following:

- i) $d(p, q) \geq 0$ for all $p, q \in X$, and $d(p, q) = 0$ if and only if $p = q$.
- ii) $d(p, q) = d(q, p)$ for all $p, q \in X$
- iii) $d(p, r) \leq d(p, q) + d(q, r)$ for all $p, q, r \in X$

Note that this definition can be applied to any space (set) X ; it is not necessary that X is a vector space. We think of $d(p, q)$ as a distance between the points $p, q \in X$.

Remark:

If V is a vector space with a norm $\|\underline{v}\|$, then $d(\underline{v}, \underline{w}) = \|\underline{v} - \underline{w}\|$ defines a metric on V . When $V = \mathbb{R}^n$ is Euclidean space, with the Euclidean norm, then the induced metric is called the Euclidean metric or distance, given by

$$d(\underline{v}, \underline{w}) = \sqrt{(v_1 - w_1)^2 + (v_2 - w_2)^2 + \dots + (v_n - w_n)^2}$$

for $\underline{v} = (v_1, \dots, v_n)$, $\underline{w} = (w_1, \dots, w_n)$.

Sequences

Let (X, d) be a metric space, and consider a sequence in X

$$(x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} = x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n, \dots$$

with $x_i \in X$ for all $i \in \mathbb{N}$. We sometimes write (x_i) for a sequence in X .

Defn: The sequence (x_i) in X converges to a limit $x \in X$ if $d(x_i, x) \rightarrow 0$ as $i \rightarrow \infty$.

More precisely, (x_i) converges to $x \in X$ if the following condition holds:

For any $\varepsilon > 0$, there is a natural number N such that $i > N \Rightarrow d(x_i, x) < \varepsilon$

Note that this notion of convergence depends on the metric d on X . When (x_i) converges to x , we write $(x_i) \rightarrow x$.

Ex: $X = \mathbb{R}$ with metric $d(x, y) = |x - y|$
(Euclidean space of dimension 1)
 $x_i = 1/i$ for $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ i.e. $1, 1/2, 1/3, 1/4, \dots$
In this case, $(x_i) \rightarrow 0$ since
 $i > 1/\varepsilon \Rightarrow d(x_i, 0) = 1/i < \varepsilon$

That is, we may choose N to be any integer greater than $1/\varepsilon$.

More informally, we say that $\{x_i\} \rightarrow 0$ when $i \rightarrow \infty$.

Defn. The sequence (x_i) is bounded if there is a positive number $M > 0$ in $\mathbb{R}$ and a point $p \in X$ such that $d(x_i, p) < M$ for all i . The set

$$B(p, M) = \{x \in X : d(x, p) < M\}$$
is called the open ball around p with radius M .

Proposition. Let (x_i) be a sequence in X . Then we have:

- i) If $(x_i) \rightarrow x$ and $(x_i) \rightarrow x'$, then $x = x'$.
- ii) If $(x_i) \rightarrow x$, then it is bounded.
- iii) If $(x_i) \rightarrow x$, then the Cauchy criterion holds: For any $\varepsilon > 0$, there is an $N > 0$ such that $j, k > N \Rightarrow d(x_j, x_k) < \varepsilon$.

We say that (x_i) is a Cauchy sequence if it satisfies the Cauchy criterion. It is easier to check whether a sequence is Cauchy than to check whether it converges.

Theorem:

Let (X, d) be the Euclidean space $X = \mathbb{R}^n$ with the Euclidean metric. Then every Cauchy sequence (x_i) in X converges to some element $x \in X$.

Defn. A metric space (X, d) is complete if every Cauchy sequence in X converges to a limit in X . By the theorem above, Euclidean space is complete.

Ex: Let $X = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x > 0\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ with the Euclidean metric $d(x, y) = |x - y|$ for $x, y \in X$. Then the sequence (x_i) with $x_i = 1/i$ is a Cauchy sequence in X , but it does not converge to a limit in X . In fact, $(x_i) \rightarrow 0$ in $\mathbb{R}$, but $0 \notin X$.

Defn. Let (x_i) be a sequence in X . A subsequence of (x_i) is a sequence of the form (y_j) , where $y_j = x_{i_j}$ and where

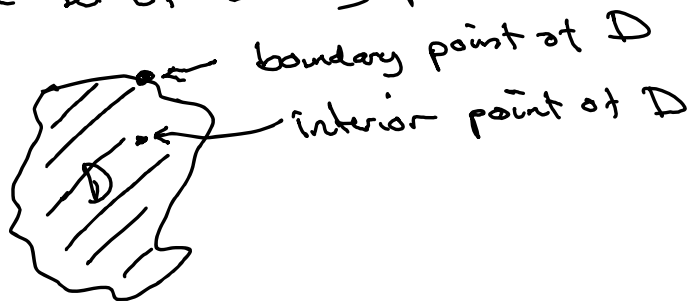
$$1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < i_3 < \dots$$

is an infinite sequence of natural numbers.

Topology. Let (X, d) be a metric space.

Defn. A subset $U \subseteq X$ is open if the following condition holds: For any point $p \in U$, there is an open ball $B(p, M) \subseteq U$ for $M > 0$ small enough. A subset $V \subseteq X$ is closed if the complement $U = X \setminus V$ is open.

Defn. Let $D \subseteq X$ be any subset of X . A boundary point of D is a point $p \in X$ such that any open ball $B(p, M)$ around $p \in X$, with $M > 0$, contains both points in D and points in the complement $D^c = X \setminus D$. We write ∂D for the set of boundary points of D .



Defn. Let $D \subseteq X$ be any subset of X . An interior point of D is a point $p \in D$ that is not a boundary point of D .

Results:

- ① $D \subseteq X$ is closed $\Leftrightarrow \partial D \subseteq D$
- ② $D \subseteq X$ is open $\Leftrightarrow$ all points in D are interior points

Ex: Let $X = \mathbb{R}$ with Euclidean metric. Then all open intervals (a, b) are open sets, and all closed intervals $[a, b]$ are closed sets. The boundary points of these sets are the endpoints $\{a, b\}$.

Ex: Let $X = \mathbb{R}^n$ with Euclidean metric. Then the open ball around a point $p \in \mathbb{R}^n$

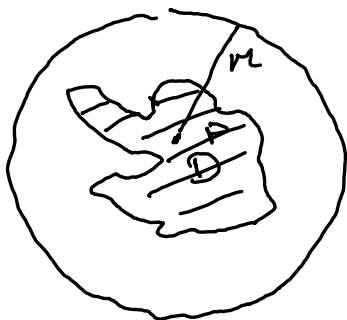
$B(p, M) = \{q \in X : d(p, q) < M\} \subseteq X$
with radius $M > 0$ is open. The closed ball

$\overline{B}(p, M) = \{q \in X : d(p, q) \leq M\} \subseteq X$
is closed.

Defn: Let $D \subseteq X$ be any subset. We define the closure $\overline{D} = D \cup \partial D \subseteq X$ to be the set containing D and all its boundary points. This is a closed set, and it is the minimal closed set containing D .

Ex: The closure of $D = (a, b)$ is $\overline{D} = [a, b]$ when $X = \mathbb{R}$. The closure of $D = B(p, M)$ is $\overline{D} = \overline{B}(p, M)$, the closed ball, when $X = \mathbb{R}^n$.

Defn. A subset $D \subseteq X$ is bounded if there is a point $p \in D$ and a (finite) radius $M > 0$ such that $D \subseteq B(p, M)$.



D is bounded since it is contained in the open ball $B(p, M)$ for some $p, M > 0$.

Defn. A subset $D \subseteq X$ is compact if the following condition holds: For any sequence (x_i) in D , there is a subsequence that converges in D .

Remarks:

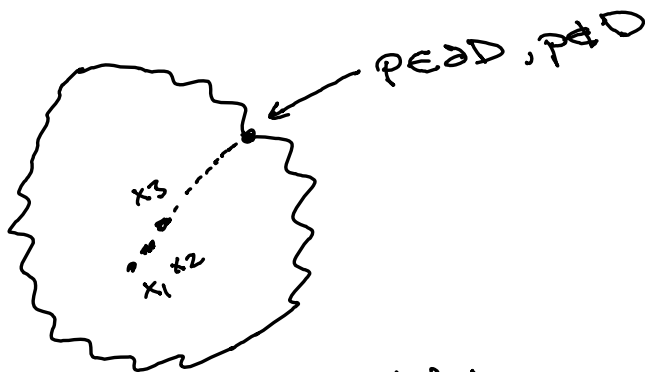
- i) If a sequence (x_i) in D converges to x in D , then every subsequence of (x_i) also converges to x in D .
- ii) The opposite implication does not hold. For example, the sequence $1, -1, 1, -1, \dots$ does not converge, but the subsequence $1, 1, 1, \dots$ converges to 1 .

Proposition. Let (X, d) be a metric space, and let $D \subseteq X$ be any s.-set. If D is compact, then D is closed and bounded.

Proof.

i) D compact $\Rightarrow D$ closed:

Assume D not closed. Then there is a pt. $p \in \partial D$ such that $p \notin D$. We can choose a sequence (x_i) in D such that $(x_i) \rightarrow p$, hence D is not compact.



ii) D compact $\Rightarrow D$ bounded:

Assume D not bounded, and construct a sequence by induction such that when $x_1, \dots, x_n \in D$ are given, then $x_{n+1} \in D$ satisfies $d(x_{n+1}, x_i) > 1$ for $i=1, 2, \dots, n$. This is possible since D is not bounded. Then $d(x_i, x_j) > 1$ for all i, j , hence no subsequence of (x_i) is Cauchy. This means that D is not compact; if D

was compact, then there would be a subsequence of (x_i) that was convergent, and therefore Cauchy. $\square$

Theorem (Bolzano-Weierstrass)

Let (x_i) be Euclidean space $X = \mathbb{R}^n$ with the Euclidean metric. Then a subset $A \subseteq X$ is compact if and only if it is closed and bounded.

③ Functions

Defn. A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a rule that assigns an element $f(x)$ in Y to any element x in X . We call X the domain and Y the codomain of f .

Example:

Let $f(x, y) = e^{xy}$. We think of $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ as a function with domain $\mathbb{R}^2$ and codomain $\mathbb{R}$, and it is usual to write it

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{R}^2 & \xrightarrow{f} & \mathbb{R} \\ (x, y) & \mapsto & e^{xy} \end{array}$$

Example: Let A be a 2×2 matrix, and let $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be the function given by

$$T\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = A \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

By a similar construction, any $m \times n$ -matrix A gives a function

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T: \mathbb{R}^n & \rightarrow & \mathbb{R}^m \\ \underline{v} & \mapsto & A \cdot \underline{v} \end{array}$$

Functions of this type are called linear transformations in general, and linear operators if $n=m$.

Example:

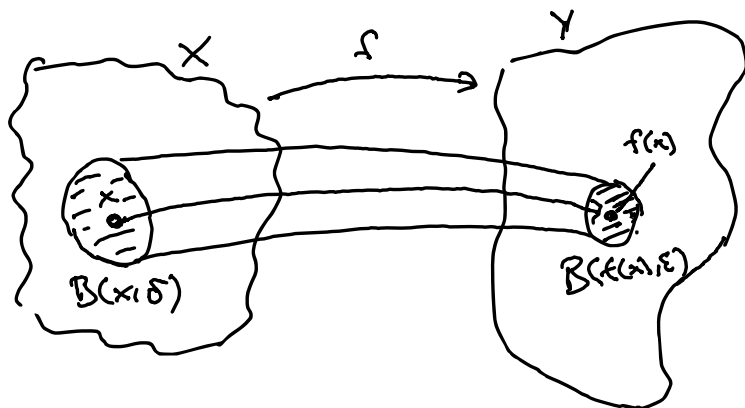
Let $f: C(I, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the function defined by $f \mapsto \int_0^1 f(x) dx$. This type of functions, where the domain is a set of functions, is called a functional.

Defn. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function of metric spaces. We say that f is continuous at a point $x \in X$ if the following condition holds:

For any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that $f(B(x, \delta)) \subseteq B(f(x), \varepsilon)$; that is, for any x' in X we have

$$d(x, x') < \delta \Rightarrow d(f(x), f(x')) < \varepsilon$$

We say that $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous if it is continuous at x for all pts $x \in X$.



Proposition:

If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous and $K \subseteq X$ is compact, then $f(K) = \{f(x) : x \in K\} \subseteq Y$ is compact.

Example:

If $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a continuous function in n variables, and $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is closed and bounded, then it follows from the proposition that D is compact $\Rightarrow f(D)$ compact. The compact sets in $\mathbb{R}$ are closed intervals $[a, b]$ (or unions of such intervals), hence f attains a max/min on D . Hence Weierstrass' Extreme Value thm. follows from the proposition.

Example:

- all "usual" fn's $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are continuous
- Sums, differences, products, quotients, compositions, inverses of continuous fn's are continuous

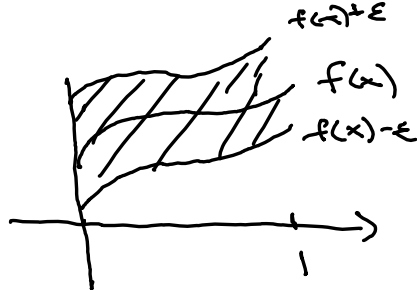
Example: $C(I, \mathbb{R}) \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{R}$ is continuous when
 $f \mapsto \int_0^1 f(x) dx$

the metric on $C(I, \mathbb{R})$ is the metric induced by the sup-norm:

$$\|f\|_{\sup} = \sup_{x \in I} |f(x)|$$

In fact, given $f \in C(I, \mathbb{R})$, $g \in B(f, \epsilon)$ if and only if $\sup_{x \in I} |f(x) - g(x)| < \epsilon$, i.e. $f(x) - \epsilon < g(x) < f(x) + \epsilon$

for all $x \in I$. In other words, we have the following picture:



$f(x) - \varepsilon < g(x) < f(x) + \varepsilon$
means that the graph
of g is in the marked
area

$$\text{Hence } \int_0^1 f(x) - \varepsilon dx < \int_0^1 g(x) dx < \int_0^1 f(x) + \varepsilon dx,$$

$$\text{or } J(f) - \varepsilon < J(g) < J(f) + \varepsilon \quad \text{since } \int_0^1 \varepsilon dx = \varepsilon.$$

This implies $d(J(f), J(g)) < \varepsilon$, and therefore
 J is continuous (we can take $\delta = \varepsilon$).

Note: When $D \subseteq X$ is compact, and $C(D, \mathbb{R})$
is equipped with the sup-norm, then $C(D, \mathbb{R})$
is a complete metric space. That is, any
Cauchy sequence in $C(D, \mathbb{R})$ converges.

Defn. Let $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function in n variables. Then the i th partial derivative of f is the function

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} = f'_{xi} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\underline{x} + \underline{e}_i \cdot h) - f(\underline{x})}{h}$$

if the limit exists, where we write $\underline{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ and $\underline{e}_i = (0, 0, \dots, 1, \dots, 0)$. The total derivative of f is a $1 \times n$ -matrix $Df(\underline{x}) = A$ such that the following condition holds:

For any $\epsilon > 0$, there is an $\delta > 0$ such that
 $\|\underline{y} - \underline{x}\| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(\underline{y}) - f(\underline{x}) - A \cdot (\underline{y} - \underline{x})| < \epsilon \|\underline{y} - \underline{x}\|$

We can also write this condition as

$$\lim_{\underline{y} \rightarrow \underline{x}} \frac{\|f(\underline{y}) - f(\underline{x}) - A \cdot (\underline{y} - \underline{x})\|}{\|\underline{y} - \underline{x}\|} = 0$$

In this case, $Df(\underline{x}) = A = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}(\underline{x}), \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}(\underline{x}) \right)$, and we say that f is differentiable at $\underline{x}$.

Note:

i) If f is differentiable at $\underline{x}$, then all partial derivatives $\partial f / \partial x_i(\underline{x})$ exist.

ii) If all partial derivatives $\partial f / \partial x_i$ exist and are continuous around $\underline{x}$, then f is differentiable at $\underline{x}$.

Defn. we say that f is C^1 if all partial derivatives exist and are continuous, and C^2 if also all second order partial derivatives exist and are continuous. Hence:

$$f \text{ is } C^2 \Rightarrow f \text{ is } C^1 \Rightarrow f \text{ is continuous}$$

Thm. If $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ and $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is C^2 , then the Hessian matrix

$$H(f)(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1^2} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_n} \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2 \partial x_1} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2^2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2 \partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n \partial x_1} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n \partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

is a symmetric matrix.

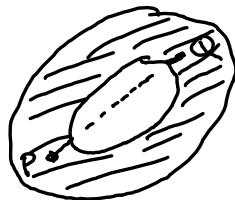
Defn. A subset $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is convex if for any $P, Q \in D$, the line segment $[P, Q]$ from P to Q is contained in D .



D is convex



D is not convex



D is not convex

Note:

$$\begin{matrix} D, E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \\ \text{convex} \end{matrix} \Rightarrow D+E = \{P+Q : P \in D, Q \in E\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$$

convex

Defn: Let $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function defined on an a convex set $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$. We say that:

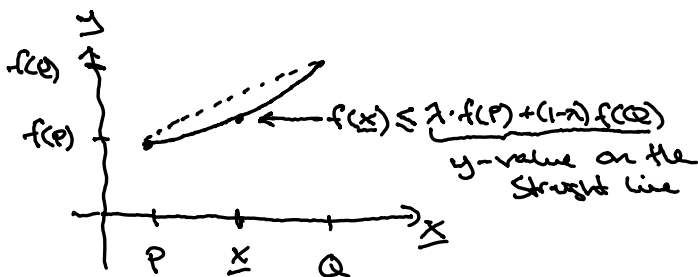
f is convex if $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} : x \in D, y \geq f(x)\}$ is a convex set

f is concave if $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} : x \in D, y \leq f(x)\}$ is a convex set

Note:

- i) f is concave $\Leftrightarrow -f$ convex
- ii) f is convex if and only if the following condition holds:

For any pts $P, Q \in D$, consider the graph of f on $[P, Q] \subseteq D$: If $x = \lambda \cdot P + (1-\lambda) \cdot Q \in [P, Q]$ ($0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$), then $f(x) \leq \lambda \cdot f(P) + (1-\lambda) \cdot f(Q)$.



f convex: $\cup$ pts "over the graph of f " form a convex set

Proposition:

If $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is an open convex set, then a function $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is convex if and only if $H(f)(x)$ is positive semidefinite for all $x \in D$.

Defn: Let $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, where $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is convex set. We say that f is

quasi-convex if $L_f(a) = \{x \in D: f(x) \leq a\}$ is a convex set for all $a \in \mathbb{R}$.

quasi-concave if $U_f(a) = \{x \in D: f(x) \geq a\}$ is a convex set for all $a \in \mathbb{R}$.

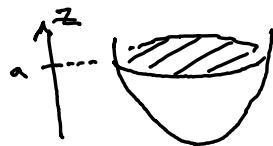
Example: $f(x,y) = x^2 + y^2$

f is (strictly) convex since $H(f) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ is positive defn. for all (x,y) in $\mathbb{R}^2$ (and therefore positive semidefn. for all (x,y) in $\mathbb{R}^2$).

quasi-convex: $L_f(a) = \{(x,y): x^2 + y^2 \leq a\} \leftarrow z \leq a$

$\Rightarrow L_f(a)$ convex for all a

(solid disc if $a > 0$, a pt if $a = 0$,
empty set if $a < 0$)



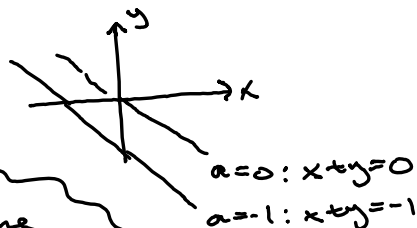
$\Rightarrow f$ is quasi-convex

Note: f is convex $\Rightarrow f$ is quasi-convex
 f is concave $\Rightarrow f$ is quasi-concave

Separation theorems

Defn: For any vector $p \neq 0$ in $\mathbb{R}^n$, the set $H = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : p \cdot x = a\}$ is called a hyperplane for any $a \in \mathbb{R}$.

Exs $p = (1, 1)$
 $H: x + y = a$

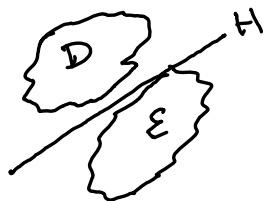


H is a line if $n=2$, a plane if $n=3$; in general a hyperplane

Defn. Two subset $D, E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ are separated by the hyperplane $H: p \cdot x = a$ if

$$D \subseteq \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : p \cdot x \geq a\}$$

$$E \subseteq \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : p \cdot x \leq a\}$$



Theorem:

If $D, E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ are non-empty convex sets with $D \cap E = \emptyset$, then there is a hyperplane H that separates D and E .

Proof in the case that D is closed and $E = \{x^*\}$ is a single pt:

There is a point $y^* \in D$ that has minimal distance to x^* among all points in D , and let

$$p = y^* - x^* \neq \underline{0} \quad (\text{since } x^* \notin D)$$

Then $H: p \cdot x = a$ separates D and E , where we choose a such that $y^* \in H$, i.e.

$$a = (y^* - x^*) \cdot y^*.$$

□

