

Recall:

- $A \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ compact \Leftrightarrow A closed and bounded
 - Extreme value thm:
Continuous
 $f: C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ admits max & min value
Compact
 - Intermediate value thm:
Continuous
 $f: X \rightarrow Y$ then $f(X) \subset Y$
connected connected.
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§ Differentiation

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$\phi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable
at $a \in \mathbb{R}$ if

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\phi(a+t) - \phi(a)}{t} \text{ exists.}$$

For functions $\phi: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ we must

Specify a direction along which we compute the derivative:

Def: Let $A \subset \mathbb{R}^m$, $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$.

Assume A contains a nghd of $\vec{a} \in A$.

Given $\vec{0} \neq \vec{u} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ define the directional derivative of f at \vec{a} in the direction \vec{u} as:

$$f'(\vec{a}; \vec{u}) := \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\vec{a} + t\vec{u}) - f(\vec{a})}{t}$$

if the limit exists.

Ex: $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x, y) = xy$.

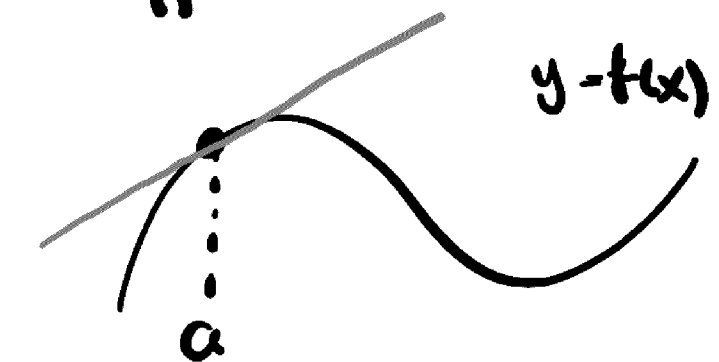
$$\begin{aligned} f'(a, b; (1, 0)) &= \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f((a, b) + t(1, 0)) - f(a, b)}{t} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+t, b) - f(a, b)}{t}$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{(a+t)b - ab}{t} = b.$$

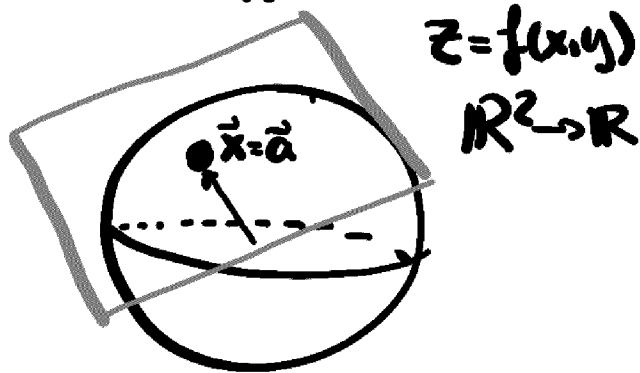
Directional derivatives are useful, but NOT the correct definition of differentiation. For instance, all directional derivatives can exist, but the function could not be continuous.

The derivative should be a linear approximation of the function.



$$f(x) \approx f(a) + f'(a)(x-a)$$

near $x=a$



$$f(\vec{x}) \approx f(\vec{a}) + B \cdot (\vec{x} - \vec{a})$$

B is a (1×2) -matrix

Def. Let $A \subset \mathbb{R}^m$, $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$. Suppose A contains a neighborhood of $\vec{a} \in A$. We say that f is differentiable at \vec{a} if there's an $(n \times m)$ -matrix B such that

$$\lim_{\vec{h} \rightarrow \vec{0}} \frac{f(\vec{a} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{a}) - B \cdot \vec{h}}{\|\vec{h}\|} = 0.$$

If the limit exists, B is unique and is called the derivative of f at \vec{a} , denoted by $Df(\vec{a})$.

Ex.* Let $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$. $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

and

$$f(x, y, z) = B \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} + \vec{b}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x - y \\ 2x + y + z \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} x - y + z \\ 2x + y + z - 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

For some $\vec{0} \neq \vec{h} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ we have

$$f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x}) = (B(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) + \vec{b}) - (B\vec{x} + \vec{b})$$

$$= B \cdot \vec{h}.$$

So $\lim_{\vec{h} \rightarrow \vec{0}} \frac{f(\vec{x} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{x}) - \overbrace{B \cdot \vec{h}}^{= B \cdot \vec{h}}}{\|\vec{h}\|} = 0$

$Df(\vec{x}) = B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ for all $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3$.

We will perform a number of sanity checks to ensure that our def is sound:

(1) Differentiable functions are continuous

(2) Composites of diff fens are diff.

(3) Differentiability at \vec{a} implies that all directional derivatives exist at \vec{a} .

Thm: Let $A \subset \mathbb{R}^m$, $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$. If f is diff'able at $\vec{a} \in A$, then all the directional derivatives of f at \vec{a} exist, and

$$Df(\vec{a}; \vec{u}) = Df(\vec{a}) \cdot \vec{u}$$

Proof: Set $\vec{h} = t\vec{u}$, $\vec{u} \neq \vec{0}$

By assumption there's some B ($n \times m$)

$$(*) \quad \frac{f(\vec{a} + t\vec{u}) - f(\vec{a}) - B \cdot t\vec{u}}{\|t\vec{u}\|} \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0} 0$$

If $t > 0$, multiply (*) by $\|\vec{u}\|$ to get

$$\frac{f(\vec{a} + t\vec{u}) - f(\vec{a})}{t} - B \cdot \vec{u} \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0} 0$$

If $t < 0$ multiply (*) with $-\|\vec{u}\|$ to reach the same conclusion.

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Ex: $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is def by $f(0) = 0$
and

$$f(x,y) = \frac{x^2 y}{x^4 + y^2}, \quad (x,y) \neq (0,0)$$

① All directional derivatives exist
at $(x,y) = (0,0)$:
 $\vec{u} = (u_1, u_2)$

$$\frac{f(tu_1, tu_2) - f(0,0)}{t} = \frac{(tu_1)^2 tu_2}{(tu_1)^4 + (tu_2)^2} - 0$$

$$= \frac{t^3 u_1^2 u_2}{t(t^4 u_1^4 + t^2 u_2^2)} = \frac{u_1^2 u_2}{t^2 u_1^4 + u_2^2}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{u_1^2}{u_2} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0$$

$$f'(\vec{0}; (u_1, u_2)) = \begin{cases} u_1^2 / u_2, & u_2 \neq 0 \\ 0, & u_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

then $f(tu_1, 0) = 0$

② f is not differentiable at $(0,0)$:

If it would, $Df(\vec{0}) = (a \ b)$ (1x2)-matrix

$$\vec{h} = \begin{pmatrix} h \\ k \end{pmatrix}, \quad \|\vec{h}\| = \sqrt{h^2 + k^2}$$

$$\frac{f(\vec{h}) - f(\vec{0}) - (a \ b) \vec{h}}{\|\vec{h}\|} = \frac{\frac{h^2 k}{h^4 + k^2} - 0 - (ah + bk)}{\sqrt{h^2 + k^2}}$$

$$= \frac{h^2 k - ah - bk}{(h^4 + k^2) \sqrt{h^2 + k^2}}$$

the limit as $(h,k) \rightarrow (0,0)$ doesn't

exist. * Look at behavior along curve

$k = h^2$ as $h \rightarrow 0^+$ (that is $h > 0$ and $h \rightarrow 0$)

$$\frac{h^4 - ah - bh^2}{2h^4 \sqrt{2h^2}} = \frac{h^4 - ah - bh^2}{2\sqrt{2} h^5} \xrightarrow{h \rightarrow 0^+} \infty$$

③ In fact f is not even * continuous at $(0,0)$!

Look at $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x,y)$ along

the curve (t, t^2) for $t \rightarrow 0$, and
we get

$$f'(t, t^2) = \frac{t^4}{t^4 + t^4} = \frac{1}{2} \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2} \neq 0.$$
