

## 2.10 Vector-Valued Functions and Their Derivatives

Again rather than define derivative as the limit of difference quotients

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

Instead as a good linear approximation to  $F$ .

$$F: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m \quad \text{where } S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \text{ and } S \text{ open.}$$

Then  $F$  differentiable at  $a \in S$  means there exists  $L \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  that is a linear function  $L: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

such that

$$\frac{|F(x+h) - \underbrace{(F(x) + Lh)}_{\text{linear approx}}|}{|h|} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } h \rightarrow 0.$$

Notation

If  $F$  is differentiable at  $a$  we denote  $L$  by  $DF(a)$

To make such notation, need to know  $L$  is unique...

Suppose there were  $L' \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  such that  $L \neq L'$ . Then there is  $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $Lu \neq L'u$ .

Let  $h = tu$ . Then

$$Lh - L'h = Lh + F(x) - F(x+h) - F(x) + F(x+h) - L'h$$

$$0 \leq \frac{|Lh - L'h|}{|h|} \leq \frac{|Lh + F(x) - F(x+h)|}{|h|} + \frac{|-F(x) + F(x+h) - L'h|}{|h|}$$

$$\rightarrow 0 + 0 = 0 \quad \text{as } h \rightarrow 0$$

$$h = tu.$$

$$\frac{|Lh - L'h|}{|h|} = \frac{|Ltu - L'tu|}{|tu|} = \frac{|t|(Lu - L'u)|}{|t|(u)} \neq 0$$

if  $L \neq L'$

which contradicts it getting squeezed between 0 and 0.  
Thus  $L$  is unique.

$$f(x) = (f_1(x), f_2(x), \dots, f_m(x)).$$

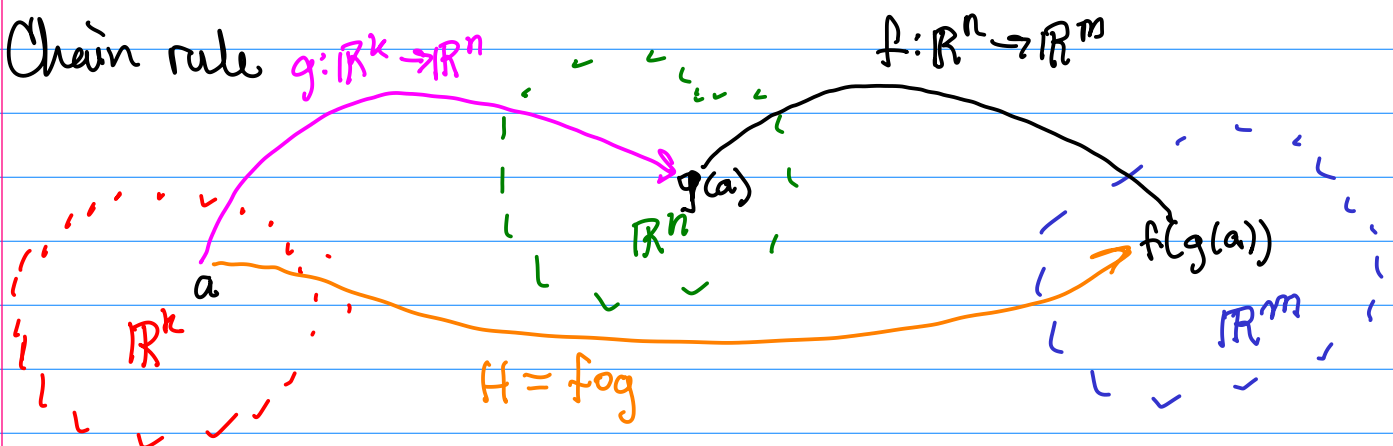
Remark that if  $f$  is differentiable, then each  $f_i$  is differentiable. So  $\nabla f_i$  exists and equal the vector of partial derivatives of  $f_i$ . Thus

$$Df = L = \begin{bmatrix} \nabla f_1 \\ \nabla f_2 \\ \vdots \\ \nabla f_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \dots & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix}$$

If the partials exist and are continuous then  $F$  is differentiable.

Chain rule  $g: \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

$f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$



Assume  $g$  is differentiable at  $a$   
 $f$  is differentiable at  $g(a)$

Then  $H = f \circ g$  is differentiable at  $a$  and

$$DH(a) = Df(g(a))Dg(a)$$

**2.86 Theorem (Chain Rule III).** Suppose  $g : \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is differentiable at  $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^k$  and  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is differentiable at  $g(\mathbf{a}) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then  $\mathbf{H} = f \circ g : \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is differentiable at  $\mathbf{a}$ , and

$$DH(\mathbf{a}) = Df(g(\mathbf{a}))Dg(\mathbf{a}),$$

where the expression on the right is the product of the matrices  $Df(g(\mathbf{a}))$  and  $Dg(\mathbf{a})$ .

## Chapter 3

# THE IMPLICIT FUNCTION THEOREM AND ITS APPLICATIONS

Let  $F : \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$F(x, y)$  where  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Suppose  $F(a, b) = 0$  for  $(a, b) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}$ .

We want to find a function  $f : B \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$F(x, f(x)) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in B$$

Equivalently, I want a set  $U \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\left( F(x, y) = 0 \quad \text{if and only if} \quad y = f(x) \right) \quad \text{for } (x, y) \in U.$$

Intuition: linear case ... Let  $F: \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$F(x, y) = \overbrace{\alpha_1 x_1 + \alpha_2 x_2 + \dots + \alpha_n x_n}^{L(x, y)} + \beta y + c = 0$$

↑ Scalars      ↑

Solve for  $y$  in terms of  $x$  ...

$$y = \frac{-c - \alpha_1 x_1 - \alpha_2 x_2 - \dots - \alpha_n x_n}{\beta}$$

need  $\beta \neq 0$  for this to work...

### 3.1 Theorem (The Implicit Function Theorem for a Single Equation).

Let  $F(x, y)$  be a function of class  $C^1$  on some neighborhood of a point  $(a, b) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ . Suppose that  $F(a, b) = 0$  and  $\partial_y F(a, b) \neq 0$ . Then there exist positive numbers  $r_0, r_1$  such that the following conclusions are valid.

- $F$  exists  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a. \text{ For each } x \text{ in the ball } |x - a| < r_0 \text{ there is a unique } y \text{ such that } |y - b| < r_1 \text{ and } F(x, y) = 0. \text{ We denote this } y \text{ by } f(x); \text{ in particular, } f(a) = b. \\ b. \text{ The function } f \text{ thus defined for } |x - a| < r_0 \text{ is of class } C^1, \text{ and its partial derivatives are given by} \end{array} \right.$

$$(3.2) \quad \partial_j f(x) = - \frac{\partial_j F(x, f(x))}{\partial_y F(x, f(x))}$$

(a) Suppose  $\partial_y F(a, b) \neq 0$ . Assume  $\partial_y F(a, b) > 0$  if not then work with  $-F$  instead.

Since  $F \in C^1$  then  $\partial_y F$  is continuous. Therefore there is a neighborhood where  $\partial_y F(x, y) > 0$  near  $(a, b)$ .

For example, there is  $r_1 > 0$  such that

$$(x, y) \in B(r_1, a) \times (b - r_1, b + r_1)$$

implies  $\partial_y F(x, y) > 0$ . Thus  $y \rightarrow F(x, y)$  is a strictly increasing function of  $y$  holding  $x$  fixed.

$$F(a, b) = 0 \quad \text{so} \quad F(a, b + r_1) > 0 \\ \text{and} \quad F(a, b - r_1) < 0.$$

Since  $F$  is cont and  $F(a, b + r_1) > 0$ ,  $F(a, b - r_1) < 0$ . then there is  $r_0 > 0$  such that  $x \in B(r_0, a)$  implies

$$F(x, b + r_1) > 0, \quad F(x, b - r_1) < 0$$

Thus for each  $x \in B(r_0, a)$  there is a  $y \in (b - r_1, b + r_1)$  such that  $F(x, y) = 0$ .  $y$  is unique because the function  $y \rightarrow F(x, y)$  is strictly increasing.

So denote  $y$  by  $f(x)$ .

Thus for each  $x \in B(r_0, a)$  we have  $F(x, f(x)) = 0$ .

Therefore  $f$  exists.  $\square$

(b) Claim  $f$  is continuous at  $a$ .

For every  $\epsilon > 0$  there is  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|x - a| < \delta$  implies  $|f(x) - f(a)| < \epsilon$ .

Just take  $r_1 = \epsilon$  above and  $r_0$  is then the  $\delta$ .