

Example: $f(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} x^2 \\ \sin(xy) \end{pmatrix} \quad f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$

$$Jf(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} 2x & 0 \\ y \cos(xy) & x \cos(xy) \end{pmatrix}$$

The total derivative,

Let's briefly go back to the one variable case:

$f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ differentiable:

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

rewrite: $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} - f'(a) \right) = 0$

$$\text{or } \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \left(f(a+h) - f(a) - f'(a)h \right) = 0$$

We think of this as approximating f near a with an affine transformation.

(An affine transformation is the sum of a linear transformation and a constant (vector).)

So, in higher dimensions, we also try to approximate $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ with an affine transformation.

Proposition and definition 1.7.9:

(total Derivative)

Let $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open subset and $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ a mapping (or function). Let $a \in U$.

We say f is differentiable at a if there exists a linear transformation $L: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

s.t.

$$\lim_{\vec{h} \rightarrow \vec{0}} \frac{1}{|\vec{h}|} \left(f(a+h) - f(a) - L(\vec{h}) \right) = 0.$$

The transformation L is unique and L is the

derivative of f at a , denoted $Df(a)$.

Theorem 1.7.10 If f is differentiable at a ,
then all partial derivatives of f at a exist,
and the matrix representing $Df(a)$ is the Jacobian
matrix $J_f(a)$.

Proof of 1.7.9 and 1.7.10:

$$L := Df(a)$$

$$\text{Let } e_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}, e_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}, \dots, e_n = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

be the standard basis of \mathbb{R}^n .

Then the matrix of L in this basis is

$$\left(L(e_1), \dots, L(e_n) \right) \begin{array}{l} \updownarrow \\ \text{rows} \end{array}$$

Note that

$$\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_1}(a) = \lim_{h_1 \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_i(a + \begin{pmatrix} h_1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}) - f_i(a)}{h_1}$$

$$= \lim_{h_1 \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_i(a + h_1 e_1) - f_i(a)}{h_1}$$

$f = (f_1, \dots, f_m)$

We know f is differentiable, so

$$\lim_{h_1 e_1 \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{|h_1 e_1|} (f(a + h_1 e_1) - f(a) - L(h_1 e_1)) = 0$$

or

$$\lim_{h_1 \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{|h_1|} (f(a + h_1 e_1) - f(a) - h_1 L(e_1)) = 0$$

Since the limit is 0, we also have:

$$\lim_{h_1 \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h_1} (f(a + h_1 e_1) - f(a) - h_1 L(e_1)) = 0$$

$$\text{Or } \lim_{h_1 \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{h_1} (f(a+h_1 e_1) - f(a)) - L(e_1) \right] = 0$$

$$\text{or } \lim_{h_1 \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h_1} (f(a+h_1 e_1) - f(a)) = L(e_1)$$

$$\text{or } \lim_{h_1 \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h_1} \left(f \begin{pmatrix} a_1 + h_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix} - f \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix} \right) = L(e_1)$$

$$\text{or } \lim_{h_1 \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h_1} \left[\begin{pmatrix} f_1(a+h_1 e_1) \\ \vdots \\ f_m(a+h_1 e_1) \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} f_1(a) \\ \vdots \\ f_m(a) \end{pmatrix} \right] = L(e_1)$$

first row: $\lim_{h_1 \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h_1} (f_1(a+h_1 e_1) - f_1(a)) = \text{first coordinate of } L(e_1)$

So $\frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1}(a) =$ first coordinate
 (and similarly for the other coordinates) of $L(e_1)$. □

e.g.: $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$

$$f \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x^2 + 1 + y \\ \sin(xy) \\ e^x - e^y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ f_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

then the Jacobian matrix is

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial y} \end{pmatrix}$$

we compute: $J_f(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} 2x & 1 \\ y \cos(xy) & x \cos(xy) \\ e^x & -e^y \end{pmatrix} = M(x, y)$

To show f is differentiable, compute the limit:

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{|h|} \left(f(a+h) - f(a) - M(h) \right)$$

$$h = \begin{pmatrix} h_1 \\ h_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$a+h = \begin{pmatrix} x+h_1 \\ y+h_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f(a+h) = \begin{pmatrix} (x+h_1)^2 + 1 + (y+h_2) \\ \sin((x+h_1)(y+h_2)) \\ e^{x+h_1} - e^{y+h_2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f(a) = \begin{pmatrix} x^2 + 1 + y \\ \sin(xy) \\ e^x - e^y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{1}{|h|} \left[\begin{array}{c} (x+h_1)^2 + 1 + (y+h_2) - (x^2 + 1 + y) \\ \sin(x+h_1)(y+h_2) - \sin(xy) \\ e^{x+h_1} - e^{y+h_2} - e^x + e^y \end{array} \right]$$

$$M(h) = \begin{pmatrix} 2x & 1 \\ y \cos(xy) & x \cos(xy) \\ e^x & -e^y \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} h_1 \\ h_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2x h_1 + h_2 \\ y \cos(xy) h_1 + x \cos(xy) h_2 \\ e^x h_1 - e^y h_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{1}{|h|} \left(f(a+h) - f(a) - M(h) = \right.$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} & (x+h_1)^2 + 1 + (y+h_2) - x^2 - 1 - y - 2xh_1 - h_2 \\ & \sin((x+h_1)(y+h_2)) - \sin(xy) - y \cos(xy)h_1 - x \cos(xy)h_2 \\ & e^{x+h_1} e^{y+h_2} - e^x e^y - e^x h_1 + e^y h_2 \end{aligned} \right)$$