MATH 223: Multivariable Calculus

Class 10

October 3, 2022

Handouts

- Notes on Assignment 9
- Assignment 10
- Limits and Continuity

Announcements

Exam 1: Tonight, 7 PM -
No Time Limit

No Books, Notes, Computers, etc.

No Class on Wednesday
Makeup at 7 PM on Thursday
Warner 100

Today: Begin Chapter 4

Topic: Differentiability

Start with $f : \mathcal{R}^n \to \mathcal{R}^1$

Eventually: $\mathbf{f} : \mathcal{R}^n \to \mathcal{R}^m$

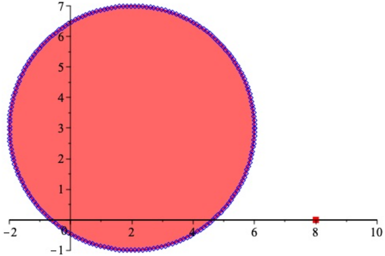
Derivative at point turns out to be $m \times n$ matrix.

But First: Limits and Continuity

Limits and Continuity: Preliminary Concepts

Open Set	Interior Point
Closed Set	Boundary Point
Limit Point	Neighborhood

Example: $S = \{|x - (2,3)| < 4\} \cup \{(8,0)\}$



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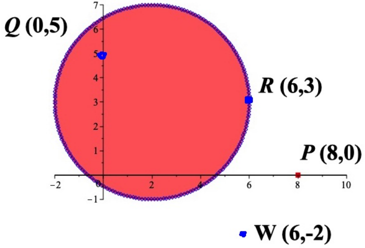

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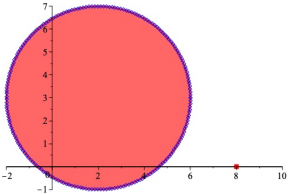

Point	Interior Point?	Limit Point	Boundary Point
Q	Yes	Yes	Yes
R	No	Yes	Yes
P	No	No	Yes
W	No	No	No

Differentiability = Local Linearity = Approximatable By Tangent Object

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &\approx f(a) + f'(a)(x-a) \\ \text{or } f(x) - f(a) &\approx f'(a)(x-a) \\ \text{or } f(x) - f(a) - m(x-a) &\approx 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\lim_{x \to a} \frac{f(x) - f(a) - m(x-a)}{|x-a|} = 0$$

Generalizing for $\mathbf{f} : \mathcal{R}^n \to \mathcal{R}^m$

$$\lim_{\mathbf{x} \to \mathbf{a}} \frac{\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{a}) - M(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a})}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a}|} = \mathbf{0}$$

for some $m \times n$ matrix M.

$\mathbf{f} : \mathcal{R}^n \to \mathcal{R}^m$ is **differentiable** at $\mathbf{a}$ if there exists an $m \times n$ matrix M such that

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Special Case: $m = 1, n = 2, M$ is 1×2 matrix$\nabla f = (f_x, f_y)$.

Example: $f(x,y) = x^2 + 2xy - y^2$ at (-1,2)

$$f(-1,2) = -7$$

$$f_x(x,y) = 2x + 2y \text{ so } f_x(-1,2) = 2$$

$$f_y(x,y) = 2x - 2y \text{ so } f_y(-1,2) = -6$$

$$\nabla f(-1,2) = (2,-6)$$

Equation of Tangent Plane:

$$\begin{aligned} z &= -7 + (2,-6)\cdot(x+1, y-2) \\ &= -7 + 2x + 2 - 6y + 12 \\ &= +7 + 2x - 6y \end{aligned}$$

Review meaning of $f_x(-1,2) = 2$ and $f_y(-1,2) = 6$

What is rate of change of f at (-1,2) if we approach along direction given by $\mathbf{v} = (3,4)$?

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\begin{aligned}
f_{\mathbf{v}}(-1,2) &= \lim_{t\to 0} \frac{f(-1+3t, 2+4t) - f(-1,2)}{t} \\
&= \lim_{t\to 0} \frac{(-1+3t)^2 + 2(-1+3t)(2+4t) - (2+4t)^2 - (-7)}{t} \\
&= \lim_{t\to 0} \frac{17t^2 - 18t}{t} \\
&= \lim_{t\to 0} (17t - 18) = -18
\end{aligned}
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Note: $(\nabla f) \cdot \mathbf{v} = (2,-6) \cdot (3,4) = (2)(3) + (-6)(4) = 6 - 24 - 18$

COINCIDENCE?