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Vector Analysis, MATH-UA.224.001

Quiz Sheet 5: Solutions

Question 1. (from Lecture 7, p. 7) *Referring to the figure below, for* $y \in B(b, r)$, we define the map $\Phi_y : U \to \mathbb{R}$ by

$$\Phi_{y}(x) := \|\varphi(x) - y\|^{2}, x \in U$$

where $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is open, $\varphi : U \to \mathbb{R}^n$ is of class $C^1(U)$ and one-to-one on U, $\varphi'(x)$ is nonsingular for all $x \in U$, and $a \notin \partial B(a, \rho)$. Explain why $\Phi_y(a) := ||\varphi(a) - y||^2 = ||b - y||^2 < r^2$ (and not $\leq r^2$).



If ||b - y|| = r, this implies that $y \notin B(b, r)$.

Question 2. (from Lecture 7, pp. 8-9) *Referring to the hypothesis of Question 1, do all of the following.*

(a) Define a function ψ such that $\Phi_y = \psi \circ \varphi$, and specify the domain and the range of ψ .

$$\psi:\mathbb{R}^n\to\mathbb{R}$$

defined by $\psi(s) = ||s - y||^2$

(b) Using the chain rule, confirm that Φ_y is of class C¹(U).
We have

$$D\Phi_{y} = D\psi(\varphi) \cdot D\varphi = 2\varphi \cdot D\varphi$$

where the last equality follows from the last Exercise from Lecture 2, part (a). $D\Phi_{y}$ is continuous since φ is of class $C^{1}(U)$.

(c) Deduce that $D\Phi_y(x_{min}, e_i) = 0$ for i = 1, ..., n, where $x_{min} \in B(a, \rho)$ and $D\Phi_y(\cdot, e_i)$ is a directional derivative in the direction of the *i*-th canonical basis vector of \mathbb{R}^n , if and only if

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} 2(\varphi_k(x_{min}) - y_k) D_i \varphi_k(x_{min}) = 0$$

for i = 1, ..., n.

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Since $D\Phi(x_{min})$ and $D\varphi(x_{min})$ are Jacobian matrices, we have $D\Phi(x_{min}, e_i) = D_i \Phi(x_{min})$ and $D\varphi(x_{min}, e_i) = D_i \varphi(x_{min})$, which are the *i*-th column vectors of the corresponding Jacobians. Therefore,

$$D\Phi_{y}(x_{\min}, e_{i}) = D_{i}\Phi_{y}(x_{\min}) = 2(\varphi(x_{\min}) - y) \cdot D_{i}\varphi(x_{\min})$$
$$= \sum_{k=1}^{n} 2(\varphi_{k}(x_{\min}) - y_{k})D_{i}\varphi_{k}(x_{\min}) = 0$$

Question 3. (from Lecture 8, Example 8.3) Let

$$V := \{ p : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R} \mid p(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k x^k, \ x \in \mathbb{R}, \text{ for some } a_k \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

Show that V is real vector space and show that the dimension of V is $n+1 \in \mathbb{N}$.

See Solution to Problem 1 from Homework 5.

Question 4. (from Lecture 8, Example 8.4) Let $V := \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$. Show that V is a real vector space. Show that the dimension of V is $n^2 \in \mathbb{N}$.

(*Sketch of proof*) The closure under addition and scalar multiplication and the other vector space properties follow from the canonical addition and scalar multiplication $+ : V^2 \rightarrow V$ by $A_1 + A_2$ where the *ij*-th entry of the sum is given by $(A_1 + A_2)_{ij} = a_{1ij} + a_{2ij}$ and a_{1ij} and a_{2ij} are the *ij*-th entries of A_1 and A_2 respectively, and $\cdot : \mathbb{R} \times V \rightarrow V$ by λA where the *ij*-th entry of the is given by $(\lambda A)_{ij} = \lambda a_{ij}$ where a_{ij} are the *ij*-th entries of A.





It is also straightforward to show that the set of $n \times n$ matrices E_{ij} that have all zero entries except for the *ij*-th entry, where $1 \le i, j \le n$ are linearly independent and span V. There are n^2 such matrices.

Question 5. (from Lecture 8, Example 8.5) Let $V := C(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ be the set of all continuous functions on \mathbb{R} with range in \mathbb{R} . Show that V is a real vector space. What can you say about the dimension of V?

The proof is the same as the proof that the set of all maps $f : \mathbb{R}^m \to \mathbb{R}^n$ of class $C^1(\mathbb{R}^m)$ is a real vector space in Problem 2 of Homework 5 (taking m = n = 1) except that closure follows from the basic result that linear combinations of continuous functions are continuous (Munkres, Theorem 3.6).

Question 6. (from Lecture 8, Example 8.6)*Let* $W := C^1(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$. Show that W is a subspace of $V := C(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$. ($C(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ is defined in Question 5.)

It suffices to prove that W is closed under addition and scalar multiplication, which is the same as the proof that the set of all maps $f : \mathbb{R}^m \to \mathbb{R}^n$ of class $C^1(\mathbb{R}^m)$ is closed under addition and scalar multiplication in Problem 2 of Homework 5.