

(I) Sum Rule: Let $\vec{f}: U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$
 $\vec{g}: V \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^r$. Create

$\vec{h}(\vec{x}) = \vec{f}(\vec{x}) + \vec{g}(\vec{x})$. Then this only makes sense if $p=n$ and $U=V$. And I can only add vectors $\vec{f}(\vec{x})$ and $\vec{g}(\vec{x})$ if they are the same size (so $m=r$). So let

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \vec{f}: U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m \\ \vec{g}: U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m \end{array} \right\} \text{if } \vec{h}(\vec{x}) = \vec{f}(\vec{x}) + \vec{g}(\vec{x}),$$

Then $D\vec{h}(\vec{x}) = D(\vec{f} + \vec{g})(\vec{x}) = D\vec{f}(\vec{x}) + D\vec{g}(\vec{x})$
 and all matrices are $m \times n$.

(III) Product Rule: If \vec{f}, \vec{g} are like in the beginning of (I) above, and we try to create $\vec{h}(\vec{x}) = \vec{f}(\vec{x})\vec{g}(\vec{x})$, the only way this is possible is for both \vec{f}, \vec{g} have $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ as their domain and for $m=r=1$ (otherwise we cannot multiply $\vec{f}(\vec{x})$ and $\vec{g}(\vec{x})$)

III cont'd.

So let $f, g: U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be real-valued
 Then the Product Rule holds, and for $h(x) = f(x)g(x)$
 (no vector-valued), we have

$$Dh(\vec{x}) = g(\vec{x}) Df(\vec{x}) + f(\vec{x}) Dg(\vec{x})$$

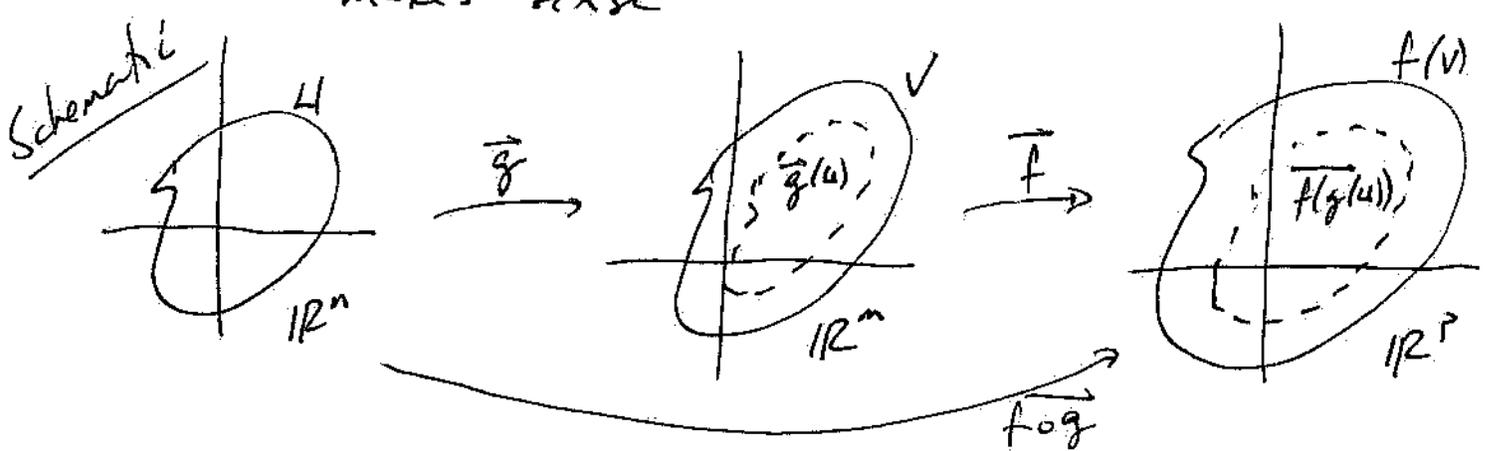
$\underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{1 \times n \text{ matrix}} = \underbrace{g(\vec{x})}_{\text{real } \neq} \underbrace{Df(\vec{x})}_{1 \times n \text{ matrix}} + \underbrace{f(\vec{x})}_{\text{real } \neq} \underbrace{Dg(\vec{x})}_{1 \times n \text{ matrix}}$

Same type of thing for the Quotient Rule.

IV Chain Rule

Let $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n, V \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ be open sets, and

$\vec{g}: U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m, \vec{f}: V \subset \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$ be functions,
 where $\vec{g}(U) \subset V$ (so that $(\vec{f} \circ \vec{g}): U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$
 makes sense



Now suppose that \vec{g} is differentiable at \vec{x}_0 and \vec{F} is differentiable at $\vec{g}(\vec{x}_0)$. Then $\vec{F} \circ \vec{g}$ is differentiable at \vec{x}_0 , and

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$$D(\vec{F} \circ \vec{g})(\vec{x}_0) = D\vec{F}(\vec{g}(\vec{x}_0)) \cdot D\vec{g}(\vec{x}_0)$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\substack{p \times n \\ \text{matrix}}} \quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\substack{p \times m \\ \text{matrix}}} \quad \uparrow \quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\substack{m \times n \\ \text{matrix}}}$
 matrix mult. matrix

How does this work in practice?

ex. Let $\vec{c}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be a diff. curve in \mathbb{R}^3 , and $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a C^1 -real-valued function.

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Note: In general, this question may not make sense, but since $(f \circ \vec{c}): \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, like in SVC, it does:

A: Calculate the derivative of $(f \circ \vec{c}): \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, where

$$(f \circ \vec{c})(t) = f(\vec{c}(t)) = f\left(\begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \\ z(t) \end{bmatrix}\right) \in \mathbb{R}, \text{ for a choice}$$

$$\text{of } t \in \mathbb{R}, \text{ since } \vec{c}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3, \vec{c}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \\ z(t) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since both f and \vec{c} are differentiable everywhere,
by the Chain Rule

$$\frac{d}{dt}(f \circ \vec{c})(t_0) = D(f \circ \vec{c})(t_0) = Df(\vec{c}(t_0)) \cdot \vec{c}'(t_0) \text{ at } t_0 \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\substack{\text{a real number} \\ \text{(same as a} \\ \text{1x1 matrix)}}$
 $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\substack{1 \times 3 \\ \text{matrix}}}$
 $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\substack{3 \times 1 \\ \text{vector}}}$

or as functions:

$$\frac{d}{dt}(f \circ \vec{c})(t) = Df(\vec{c}(t)) \cdot \vec{c}'(t)$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\substack{\text{expression in} \\ t}}$
 $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\substack{1 \times 3 \text{ matrix} \\ \text{of functions} \\ \text{in } t}}$
 $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\substack{3 \times 1 \\ \text{vector of} \\ \text{functions} \\ \text{in } t}}$

Here the right hand side looks like

$$Df(\vec{c}(t)) \cdot \vec{c}'(t) = \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x), \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x), \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(x) \right]_{\vec{x} = \vec{c}(t)} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x'(t) \\ y'(t) \\ z'(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \cdot \frac{dz}{dt}$$

And if the left hand side uses $h(t) = (f \circ \vec{c})(t)$, then

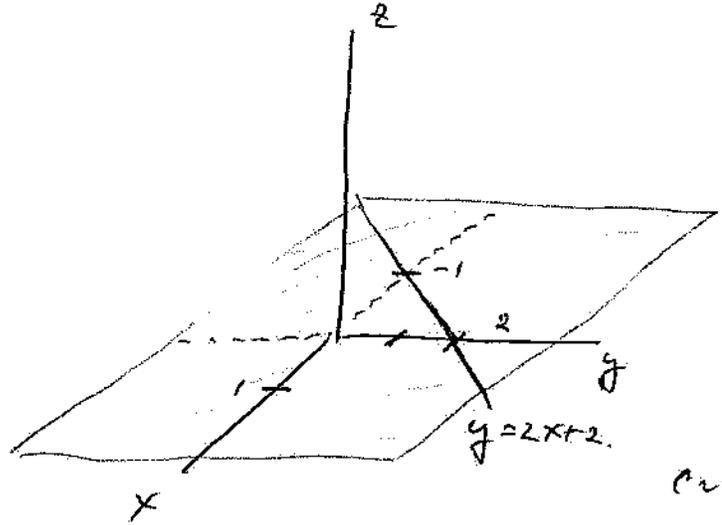
$$\frac{d}{dt} h(t) = \frac{dh}{dt} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \cdot \frac{dz}{dt}$$

Just like the Chain Rule (in Leibniz notation) in SVC.

ex. with functions

Let $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$, where level sets of f are concentric spheres of increasing radius (as f increases) in \mathbb{R}^3 .

Let $\vec{c}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} t \\ 2t+2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \\ z(t) \end{bmatrix}$. Here, $\vec{c}(t)$ is a parameterization of the line in the xy -plane in x,y,z -space with equation $y=2x+2$:



Q: How is f changing along \vec{c} ?

First, we construct $h(\frac{t}{1}) = (f \circ \vec{c})(t)$ and then take its derivative:

$$\begin{aligned} h(t) &= (f \circ \vec{c})(t) = f(\vec{c}(t)) = (x^2 + y^2 + z^2) \Big|_{\vec{x} = \vec{c}(t)} \\ &= t^2 + (2t+2)^2 + (0)^2 \\ &= t^2 + 4t^2 + 8t + 4 = 5t^2 + 8t + 4. \end{aligned}$$

And so $h'(t) = \frac{d}{dt} h(t) = 10t + 8$.

Second, we recalculate $h'(t)$ via the chain Rule:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}h(t) &= \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_{\vec{x}=\vec{c}(t)} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right|_{\vec{x}=\vec{c}(t)} \cdot \frac{dy}{dt} + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \right|_{\vec{x}=\vec{c}(t)} \cdot \frac{dz}{dt} \\ &= 2x \Big|_{\vec{x}=\vec{c}(t)} \cdot \frac{d}{dt}(t) + 2y \Big|_{\vec{x}=\vec{c}(t)} \cdot \frac{d}{dt}(2t+2) + 2z \Big|_{\vec{x}=\vec{c}(t)} \cdot \frac{d}{dt}(t) \\ &= 2(t)(1) + 2(2t+2)(2) + 0 \\ &= 4t + 8t + 8 = 10t + 8. \end{aligned}$$

Now look at the Mathematica Code to see when the dot on $\vec{c}(t)$, when moving, passes through decreasing level sets of f and when increasing.

Match this with the sign of $h'(t) = 10t + 8$.

Another ex Suppose $\vec{f}: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$, $\vec{g}: \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ are C^1 everywhere. Then $(\vec{f} \circ \vec{g}): \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is differentiable. Can we calculate its derivative in terms of the derivatives of \vec{f} and \vec{g} ?

Sure. Create $\bar{h}(\vec{x}) = (\bar{f} \circ \bar{g})(\vec{x})$, so ~~so~~

$$\bar{h}: \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2, \text{ and } h(x, y, z, w) = f(g(x, y, z, w))$$

Call the outputs of g by the variables r, s, t .

Then $g(x, y, z, w) = (r(x, y, z, w), s(x, y, z, w), t(x, y, z, w))$

These are the inputs to the outer function f , so that

$$h(x, y, z, w) = f(r(x, y, z, w), s(x, y, z, w), t(x, y, z, w))$$

and
$$\underbrace{D\bar{h}(\vec{x})}_{2 \times 4 \text{ matrix}} = \underbrace{D\bar{f}(\vec{g}(\vec{x}))}_{2 \times 3 \text{ matrix}} \cdot \underbrace{D\bar{g}(\vec{x})}_{3 \times 4 \text{ matrix}}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial z} & \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial w} \\ \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial z} & \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial w} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial s} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial t} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial s} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial r}{\partial z} & \frac{\partial r}{\partial w} \\ \frac{\partial s}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial s}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial s}{\partial z} & \frac{\partial s}{\partial w} \\ \frac{\partial t}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial t}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial t}{\partial z} & \frac{\partial t}{\partial w} \end{bmatrix}$$

By matrix multiplication, for example,

$$\frac{\partial h_1}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial r} \cdot \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial s} \cdot \frac{\partial s}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial t} \cdot \frac{\partial t}{\partial y}$$

All other entries are similar.