

Advanced Topics in Geometry A1 (MTH.B405)

Overview

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Commutativity of Partial Derivatives

Theorem (2.4)

- ▶ $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$: a function defined on a domain $U \subset \mathbb{R}^2$
- ▶ $f_{xy} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}$, $f_{yx} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}$ exist and continuous on U

\Rightarrow

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}(p) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}(p)} \quad p = (u, v) \in U.$$

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$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$$

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$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$$

☺ the mean value theorem
(for functions of
1-variable)

(cf.)

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} xy \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2} & (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0 & (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$$

$$f_{xy}(0, 0) \neq f_{yx}(0, 0)$$

special case!!

Commutativity of Partial Derivatives

Corollary ("easy to explain" version)

$f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$: a function of class C^2 defined on a domain $U \subset \mathbb{R}^2$

\Rightarrow

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}$$

class C^1 : $\exists f_x$ $\exists f_y$ & continuous

class C^2 : $\textcircled{f_x}$ & $\textcircled{f_y}$: of class C^1
 $\exists f_{xx}$ $\exists f_{xy}$ $\exists f_{yx}$ $\exists f_{yy}$
continuous

Functions of Class C^r

Definition

A function f defined on a domain $U \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ is said to be

- ▶ of class C^0 if it is continuous on U ,
- ▶ of class C^1 if there exists a partial derivative f_x and f_y on U , and both of them are continuous,
- ▶ of class C^r ($r = 2, 3, \dots$) if it is of class C^{r-1} and all of the $(r-1)$ -st partial differentials are of class C^1 , and
- ▶ of class C^∞ if it is of class C^r for arbitrary non-negative integer r .

Commutativity as a property of C^∞ -functions

Theorem

$$f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}: \underline{\text{of class } C^\infty} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}.$$

We assume here that all functions are of class C^∞ unless otherwise specified.

Our context: partial derivatives always commute.

Example—Harmonicity of holomorphic functions

- ▶ $w = f(z)$: a function of complex variable.
- ▶ Taking real and imaginary parts of z and w :

$$z = u + \sqrt{-1}v, \quad w = x + \sqrt{-1}y$$

- ▶ Then the function f is decomposed to two real-valued function

$$x = x(u, v), \quad y = y(u, v)$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z+h) - f(z)}{h}$$

Theorem (Cauchy-Riemann equation)

f is differentiable in complex variable $z \Leftrightarrow$

$$\begin{cases} x_u = y_v \\ x_v = -y_u \end{cases}$$

complex number

C-R

Example—Harmonicity of holomorphic functions

Theorem (Cauchy-Riemann equation)

$$x + \sqrt{-1}y = f(u + \sqrt{-1}v) \text{ is differentiable} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x_u &= y_v \\ x_v &= -y_u \end{cases}.$$

Corollary *Laplacian*

$$\Delta x := x_{uu} + x_{vv} = 0, \quad \Delta y := y_{uu} + y_{vv} = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta x &= x_{uu} + x_{vv} \\ &= (x_u)_u + (x_v)_v = (y_v)_u + (-y_u)_v \\ &= \underline{y_{vu}} - \underline{y_{uv}} = 0 \end{aligned} \quad \begin{array}{l} x \text{ is a harmonic} \\ \text{function.} \end{array}$$

Commutativity in terms of differential forms

f, a, b, c, \dots : C^∞ -functions on a domain $U \subset \mathbb{R}^2$. (2.4)

► $\alpha = a dx + b dy$: differential 1-form 1 form

► $\omega = c dx \wedge dy$: differential 2-form 2 form

Definition

wedge

► For a function f ,

$$df := f_x dx + f_y dy.$$

1-form

total differential

► For a 1-form $\alpha = a dx + b dy$,

exterior derivative

rules:

$$d\alpha := (b_x - a_y) dx \wedge dy \quad \left(= da \wedge dx + db \wedge dy \right).$$

$(a_x dx + a_y dy) \wedge dx + (b_x dx + b_y dy) \wedge dy$
 $= a_x dx \wedge dx + a_y dy \wedge dx + b_x dx \wedge dy + b_y dy \wedge dy$
 $= 0 - a_y dx \wedge dy + b_x dx \wedge dy + 0 = (b_x - a_y) dx \wedge dy$

$(dx \wedge dy = -dy \wedge dx)$
 $(dx \wedge dx = dy \wedge dy = 0)$

Commutativity in terms of differential forms

f, a, b, c, \dots : C^∞ -functions on a domain $U \subset \mathbb{R}^2$.

► $\alpha = a dx + b dy$: differential 1-form

► $\omega = c dx \wedge dy$: differential 2-form

Definition

► For a function f ,

$$df := f_x dx + f_y dy.$$

► For a 1-form $\alpha = a dx + b dy$,

$$d\alpha := (b_x - a_y) dx \wedge dy \quad \left(= da \wedge dx + db \wedge dy \right).$$

Commutativity in terms of differential forms

Definition

- ▶ f : a function $\Rightarrow df = f_x dx + f_y dy$.
- ▶ $\alpha = a dx + b dy$: a 1-form $d\alpha := (b_x - a_y) dx \wedge dy$

Lemma

$d(df) = 0$ for any function f .

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet \quad d(df) &= d(f_x dx + f_y dy) \\ &= (f_{yx} - f_{xy}) dx \wedge dy \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Poincaré Lemma

no rules

Theorem (Poincaré lemma)

- ▶ $U \subset \mathbb{R}^2$: a simply connected domain
- ▶ α : 1-form on U .
- ▶ $d\alpha = 0$

\Rightarrow

- ▶ $\exists f$ such that $df = \alpha$.

$$d(df) = 0$$

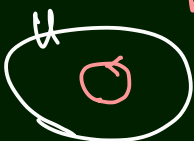
i.e.

$$\text{if } d = df$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{dd = 0}$$

Proof: \exists (def. of simple connectedness)

all loops in U is contractible



deform
 \rightarrow



not contractible

Exercise 1-1

Problem (Ex. 1-1)

Let $f(x, y) := e^{ax} \cos y$, where a is constant. Find a function $g(x, y)$ satisfying

$$g_x = -f_y, \quad g_y = f_x, \quad g(0, 0) = 0.$$

Hint : What value of 'a' admits such 'g'.

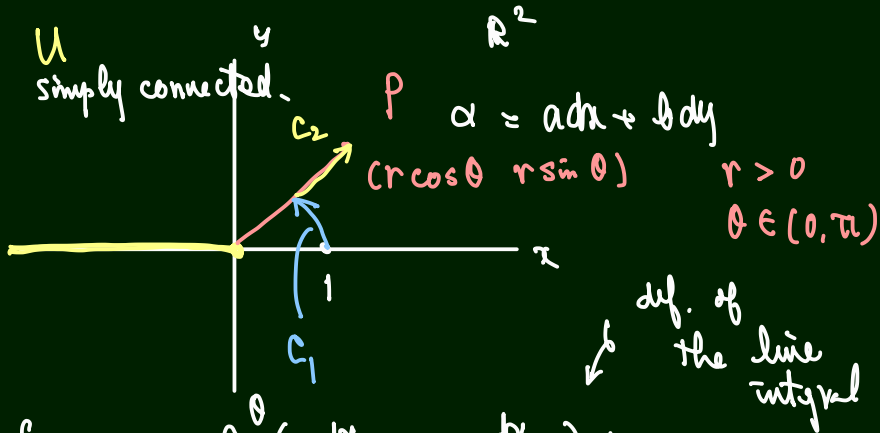
Exercise 1-2

Problem (Ex. 1-2)

- ▶ $U = \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(t, 0); t \leq 0\} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$,
minus
- ▶ $\alpha = a(x, y) dx + b(x, y) dy := \frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2} dx + \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} dy$.
- ▶ $P = (r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta) \in U$ ($r > 0$, $0 < \theta < \pi$)
- ▶ $c_1(t) := (x_1(t), y_1(t)) = (\cos t, \sin t) \quad (0 \leq t \leq \theta),$
 $c_2(s) := (x_2(s), y_2(s)) = (s \cos \theta, s \sin \theta) \quad (1 \leq s \leq r)$

Compute the line integral

$$\int_{c_1 \cup c_2} \alpha := \int_0^\theta \left(\alpha(x_1(t), y_1(t)) \frac{dx_1}{dt} dt + \beta(x_1(t), y_1(t)) \frac{dy_1}{dt} dt \right) + \int_1^r \left(\alpha(x_2(s), y_2(s)) \frac{dx_2}{ds} ds + \beta(x_2(s), y_2(s)) \frac{dy_2}{ds} ds \right).$$



$$\int_{c_1 \cup c_2} \alpha = \int_0^\theta \left(a \frac{dx_1}{dt} + b \frac{dx_2}{dt} \right) dt + \int_1^r \left(a \frac{dx_1}{ds} + b \frac{dx_2}{ds} \right) ds$$

Homeworks

- ▶ Solve a problem either 1-1 or 1-2 (2 points),
- ▶ Present a question on the contents of the lecture, or to point out error(s) in the lecture note/the lecture (up to 3 points).

Deadline: 15. April, 2025, 10:00 JST.

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