

Continuity of a function

$f_1, f_2, f_3, \dots, f_k$ be real valued functions on metric space (X, d) and $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ be vector valued function defined as

$$f(x) = (f_1(x), f_2(x), f_3(x), \dots, f_k(x)) \quad \forall x \in X.$$

then f is continuous iff $f_1, f_2, f_3, \dots, f_k$ is continuous.

Proof

f is continuous. $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$

for $\underline{\exists c \in X}$ $\forall \epsilon > 0$ $\exists \delta > 0$ s.t.

$$|f(x) - f(c)| < \epsilon \text{ when } d(x, c) < \delta$$

$$\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^k [f_i(x) - f_i(c)]^2} < \epsilon \text{ when } d(x, c) < \delta$$

$$|f_i(x) - f_i(c)| \leq \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^k [f_i(x) - f_i(c)]^2} < \epsilon$$

$$|f_i(x) - f_i(c)| < \epsilon \text{ when } d(x, c) < \delta$$

$\Rightarrow f_i$'s are continuous at c .

Hence each f_i is continuous on x .

$\Rightarrow f_1, f_2, f_3, \dots, f_k$ are continuous.

Converse $f_1, f_2, f_3, \dots, f_k$ are continuous

T.f. f is continuous

$f_i: X \rightarrow R^k$ is continuous.

By def.

for $\epsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0$ s.t.

$|f_i(x) - f_i(c)| < \epsilon/k$ when $d(x, c) < \delta$

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x) - f(c)|^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^k [f_i(x) - f_i(c)]^2 & \delta = \min\{\delta_1, \delta_2, \dots, \delta_k\} \\ &\leq \left[\sum_{i=1}^k |f_i(x) - f_i(c)| \right]^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$|f(x) - f(c)| \leq \sum_{i=1}^k |f_i(x) - f_i(c)| < k \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{k} = \epsilon$$

$|f(x) - f(c)| < \epsilon$ when $d(x, c) < \delta$

By def. of Continuity.

$f(x)$ is Continuous function.

hence proved.