Exercise 2.1. Suppose $f : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$ is given by

f(x) = x.

Show that f is differentiable at each $p \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and

$$Df(p) = \mathrm{id},$$

where id : $\mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$ is the identity map.

Exercise 2.2. Show that the map $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$ given by

$$f: (x, y) \mapsto x^2 + y^2,$$

is differentiable at all points $p = (\xi, \eta) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ with Jacobian

$$Df(p) = (2\xi \ 2\eta)$$

Exercise 2.3. One might hope that the differential can be calculated by finding

$$\lim_{x \to p} \frac{f(x) - f(p)}{\|x - p\|}.$$

By considering the example of Exercise 2.1 or otherwise, show that this limit may not always exist, even if f is differentiable at p.

Exercise 2.4. Suppose that $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is open, and $f, g : \Omega \to \mathbb{R}^m$ are differentiable at $p \in \Omega$. Show that h = f + g is differentiable at p and

$$Dh(p) = Df(p) + Dg(p)$$

Exercise 2.5. Suppose $\Omega, \Omega' \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ are open, $g : \Omega \to \Omega'$ and $f : \Omega' \to \Omega$ are functions such that g is differentiable at $p \in \Omega$ and f is differentiable at $g(p) \in \Omega'$ and moreover

$$\begin{aligned} &f \circ g(x) = x, \qquad \forall \; x \in \Omega. \\ &g \circ f(x) = x, \qquad \forall \; x \in \Omega'. \end{aligned}$$

Show that

$$Df(g(p)) = (Dg(p))^{-1}.$$

Exercise 2.6 (*). (a) Show that the map $P : \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$ given by:

$$P:(x,y)\mapsto xy$$

is differentiable at each point $p = \begin{pmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$, with Jacobian:

$$DP(p) = (\eta \ \xi).$$

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(b) Suppose that $f, g: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$ are differentiable at $q \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Show that the map $Q: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^2$ given by:

$$Q: z \mapsto (f(z), g(z))$$

is differentiable at \boldsymbol{q} and:

$$DQ(q) = \left(\begin{array}{c} Df(q)\\ Dg(q) \end{array}\right)$$

(c) Show that $F : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$ given by F(z) = f(z)g(z) for all $z \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is differentiable at q, and:

$$DF(q) = g(q)Df(q) + f(q)Dg(q)$$

Exercise 2.7. (a) Let the function $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^3$ be given by

$$f(x,y) = \begin{pmatrix} x^2 + e^{x+y} \\ x - \log y \\ 2xy + 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Assuming f is differentiable at a point $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$, what is its derivative?

(b) Let $g : \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^1$ be given by g(x, y, z) = x + y + z. Compute the derivative of $g \circ f$ assuming it exists. Compute it in 2 ways, with and without the chain rule.