

Re: Looking for a surjection or \mathbb{R}^2

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wrote:

I am looking for a smooth surjection of \mathbb{R}^2 onto itself, not bijective, with jacobian everywhere not zero. My best example so far is an holomorphic function (with the obvious isomorphism between \mathbb{C} and \mathbb{R}^2) like the antiderivative of $\exp(z^2)$ (which is surjective by Picard theorem), but I would like something simpler, more explicit, and where the proof of surjectivity uses only elementary calculations...

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Let f be any smooth function on \mathbb{R} such that
 $f(y) = 0$ if $y \leq 0$,
 $f' \leq 0$ on $[0, \pi]$, $f' \geq 0$ on $[\pi, 2\pi]$, $f(2\pi) < 0$, and $f(y) = f(2\pi)$ for $y \geq 2\pi$. Writing $z = x + iy$, define $F(z) = e^z + f(y)$. Then the Jacobian of F at $x + iy$ is $e^{2x} - e^x \sin(y) f'(y)$, which $= 0$ iff $e^x = \sin(y) f'(y)$. The right hand side is always ≤ 0 , so the equation cannot be satisfied. Therefore the Jacobian of F is never 0. F is surjective because below the x -axis it maps onto $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$,

Here I should have said that below the x -axis, $F(z) = e^z$, where it maps many to one onto $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$.

and on the line $y = 2\pi$ it is the function $e^x + f(2\pi)$; because $f(2\pi) < 0$, this function takes on the value 0.

And finally, F is not a bijection because of its behavior below the x -axis.

Thanks a lot. Are you the author of this construction

Yes.

Thanks again. Of course, this has many merits, but one of those was to guide us towards a completely explicit (\mathbb{C} -infinite) function, namely $F(x,y) = (\sin(y)(e^x - 1/2), -\cos(y) e^x)$. I will try to give proper credits to it if we happen to publish it (in a course for French teachers)