

MATH 142A: Introduction to Analysis

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Today: Basic properties of the derivative
> Q&A: February 25

Next: Ross § 29

Week 8:

- Homework 7 (due Sunday, February 27)

Differentiability and derivative

Def Let $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, I open interval. Let $a \in I$.

We say that f is differentiable at $a \in I$, or that f has a derivative at a , if the limit

exists and is finite. If f is differentiable $\forall a \in I$, we get a function

Examples 1) Let $f(x) = x$. Then $\forall a \in \mathbb{R} \quad f'(a) = 1$ (so $f'(x) = 1$)

2) Let $f(x) = \sin x$. Then $f'(x) = \cos x$

Important examples (limits of functions)

IE 13 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log(1+x)}{x}$

Proof. ① $\frac{\log(1+x)}{x}$ is well-defined on $(-1, +\infty) \setminus \{0\}$

② Write $\frac{\log(1+x)}{x} =$

③ $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (1+x)^{\frac{1}{x}} =$: Let (x_n) be a sequence in $(0, 1)$

$\lim x_n = 0$. Define Then

and

④ $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} (1+x)^{\frac{1}{x}} =$. As in ③

⑤ By Thm 20.10

⑥ \log is continuous on $(0, +\infty) \Rightarrow$

Limits of functions. Examples

Warm up Last time: $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x = e$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{-n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)^{-n} =$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{-(n-1)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n-1}\right)^{-n} =$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \forall x < 0 \quad \left(1 + \frac{1}{|x|+1}\right)^{|x|+1} < \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x < \left(1 + \frac{1}{|x|+1}\right)^{|x|}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \text{Fix } \varepsilon > 0. \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \quad \forall n > N \quad \left| \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{-(n+1)} - e \right| < \varepsilon, \quad \left| \left(1 - \frac{1}{n+1}\right)^{-n} - e \right| < \varepsilon$$

For $x <$

$$< \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x - e <$$

Important examples (limits of functions)

IE 14

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1}{x} =$$

Proof Denote $f(x) :=$, so that $x =$

Then $\frac{e^x - 1}{x} =$ where

① $f(x)$ is continuous on \mathbb{R} ,

② g is defined on $(-1, +\infty)$, by

\Rightarrow

Examples

3) $(e^x)' = e^x$

For any $x \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{x+h} - e^x}{h} =$$

Thm 28.2 f is differentiable at point $a \Rightarrow f$ is continuous at a

Proof. f differentiable at $a \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} = f'(a)$

Rewrite $f(x) =$

Then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) =$

Important examples (limits of functions)

IE 15

$\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1+x)^\alpha - 1}{x} =$$

Proof

① Write $\frac{(1+x)^\alpha - 1}{x} =$

② Denote $f(x) =$

$$g(y) =$$

Then by IE 14

, so

by Thm 20.5

③ By IE 13

Derivatives and arithmetic operations

Thm 28.3 Let f and g be differentiable at a , $c \in \mathbb{R}$. Then $c \cdot f$, $f+g$ and $f \cdot g$ are differentiable at a . If additionally $g(a) \neq 0$, then $\frac{f}{g}$ is differentiable at a . Moreover

$$(c \cdot f)'(a) = c \cdot f'(a), \quad (f+g)'(a) = f'(a) + g'(a), \quad (f \cdot g)'(a) = f'(a)g(a) + f(a)g'(a)$$

$$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)'(a) = \frac{f'(a)g(a) - f(a)g'(a)}{g^2(a)}$$

Proof. $(cf)', (f+g)'$ - exercise.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)g(x) - f(a)g(a)}{x - a} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{(f(x) - f(a))g(x) + f(a)(g(x) - g(a))}{x - a} \\ &= f'(a) \cdot g(a) + f(a) \cdot g'(a) \end{aligned}$$

If $g(a) \neq 0$, then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} - \frac{f(a)}{g(a)}}{x - a} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{1}{g(x)g(a)} \frac{f(x)g(a) - f(a)g(x) - f(a)g(a) + f(a)g(a)}{x - a} = \frac{-f'(a)g(a) - f(a)g'(a)}{(g(a))^2} \blacksquare$$

Derivative of a composition

Thm 28.4 If f is differentiable at a , and g is differentiable at $f(a)$, then $g \circ f$ is differentiable at a and

$$(g \circ f)'(a) =$$

Remark

$$\frac{g(f(x)) - g(f(a))}{x - a} =$$

Take $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin(\frac{1}{x}), & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$, $g(y) = e^y : \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{x^2 \sin(\frac{1}{x})} - e^0}{x^2 \sin(\frac{1}{x})}$ is not well defined ($x_n = \frac{1}{\pi n}$)

Proof: ① g is defined on $(f(a)-c, f(a)+c)$ for some $c > 0$.

f is cont. at $a \Rightarrow$

Derivative of a composition

Case 1: $\exists \eta \leq \delta$ s.t $\forall x \in (a-\eta, a+\eta)$

Then $\frac{g(f(x)) - g(f(a))}{f(x) - f(a)}$ can be written on $(a-\eta, a+\eta)$ as $\varphi \circ f(x)$

where $\varphi(y) = \begin{cases} & \\ & \end{cases}$ is defined on $(f(a)-c, f(a)+c)$

g is differentiable at $f(a) \Rightarrow$

By Thm 20.5

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{g(f(x)) - g(f(a))}{x - a} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{g(f(x)) - g(f(a))}{f(x) - f(a)} \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a}$$
$$=$$

Case 2: $\exists (x_n), \lim x_n = a, \forall n x_n \neq a, f(x_n) = f(a)$

T20.2 \rightarrow f is continuous at a , and

$\hookrightarrow g$ is continuous at $f(a)$, $f(x_n) = f(a) \quad \forall n$, so

if $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{g \circ f(x) - g \circ f(a)}{x - a} = (g \circ f)'(a)$ exists, then

$$(g \circ f)'(a) =$$

Fix $\varepsilon > 0$.

Then

Then $\forall x \in (a - \delta', a + \delta') \setminus \{a\}, f(x) \neq f(a)$