

Corollary If f is continuous on $[a, b]$ and differentiable on (a, b) , and $f'(x) = 0$ all $x \in (a, b)$ then f is constant on $[a, b]$

Proof For any $x, y \in (a, b)$, $f(x) - f(y) = f'(c)(x - y) = 0$
So $f(x) = f(y)$ all $x, y \in (a, b)$

By continuity it is also constant on $[a, b]$

As an application we prove a uniqueness result.

Proposition The equation $y' = ky$, $y(0) = y_0$ has a unique solution

Proof Let $y(x) = y_0 \cdot e^{kx}$. This is a solution (Just check it). Now let f be another solution and define

$$h(x) = f(x) e^{-kx}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } h'(x) &= f'(x) e^{-kx} - k f(x) e^{-kx} \\ &= k f(x) e^{-kx} - k f(x) e^{-kx} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

So h is a constant

Let $h(x) = C$.

$$\text{i.e. } f(x) e^{-kx} = C$$

$$\therefore f(x) = C e^{kx}$$

$$\text{and } f(0) = C e^0 = C = y_0$$

So $f(x) = y(x)$. Therefore there is only one solution.

The Generalised Mean Value Theorem and L'Hôpital's rule

Suppose that f and g are continuous on $[a, b]$, which are differentiable on (a, b) , and $g'(x) \neq 0$ for all $x \in (a, b)$. Then there exists $c \in (a, b)$ such that

$$\frac{f(b) - f(a)}{g(b) - g(a)} = \frac{f'(c)}{g'(c)}$$

Proof First the MVT says that $\exists c \in (a, b)$
with $\frac{g(b) - g(a)}{b - a} = g'(c)$

Since $g'(c) \neq 0$ ($b \neq a$) $g(b) \neq g(a)$
So $g(b) - g(a) \neq 0$

The trick is to find the right function
to apply Rolle's Theorem to. We take
 $h(x) = f(x)[g(b) - g(a)] - g(x)[f(b) - f(a)]$ Note

$$h(a) = f(a)[g(b) - g(a)] - g(a)[f(b) - f(a)]$$

$$= f(a)g(b) - f(b)g(a) = h(b)$$

So by Rolle's Theorem $\exists c$ st. $h'(c) = 0$

$$\text{or } f'(c)[g(b) - g(a)] - g'(c)[f(b) - f(a)] = 0$$

$$\text{or } \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{g(b) - g(a)} = \frac{f'(c)}{g'(c)}$$

L'Hôpital's Rule. Suppose that f and g
are differentiable on (a, b) and $g(b) \neq 0$
and $g'(x) \neq 0$ for all $x \in (a, b)$. Suppose
further that $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} g(x) = 0$.

$$\text{Then } \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$$

provided the limit exists on the right.

Proof Suppose $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = L$.

Given $\varepsilon > 0$ we can find $\delta > 0$ such that
if $c \in (a, a + \delta)$ $\left| \frac{f'(c)}{g'(c)} - L \right| < \varepsilon$

By the Generalised Mean Value Theorem if $x \in (a, a+\delta)$

$$\left| \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} - L \right| = \left| \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{g(x) - g(a)} - L \right| < \epsilon$$

$$= \left| \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} - L \right| < \epsilon \quad \left(\begin{matrix} f(a) \\ = g(a) = 0 \end{matrix} \right)$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = L \implies \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$$

This is true for $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ when we have $\frac{0}{0}$ and $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$.

Example (1) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x}$ This has form $\frac{0}{0}$

$$\frac{\frac{d}{dx} \sin x}{\frac{d}{dx} x} = \frac{\cos x}{1}$$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x}{1} = 1$. By L'Hôpital's rule

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{d}{dx} \sin x}{\frac{d}{dx} x} = 1$$

(2) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2 + 4x + 3}{3x^2 + 2x + 9}$ has the form $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$

$$\frac{\frac{d}{dx} (x^2 + 4x + 3)}{\frac{d}{dx} (3x^2 + 2x + 9)} = \frac{2x + 4}{6x + 2}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x + 4}{6x + 2} \quad \left(\frac{\infty}{\infty} \right)$$

$$\frac{\frac{d}{dx} (2x + 4)}{\frac{d}{dx} (6x + 2)} = \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2 + 4x + 3}{3x^2 + 2x + 9} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x + 4}{6 + 2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3}$$

Inverse Functions A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is one-to-one if for each $y \in Y$ there is at most one $x \in X$ such that $f(x) = y$. If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is one-to-one there is an inverse function $f^{-1}: Y \rightarrow X$

$$\text{and } f(f^{-1}(x)) = f^{-1}(f(x)) = x$$

When does f^{-1} exist? If f is continuous and $f'(x) > 0$ for all $x \in X$, then f^{-1} exists for $f(x) \in Y$.

Example $f(x) = e^x$, $x > 0$. The inverse is $\ln x$.

$$e^{\ln x} = x, \quad \ln e^x = x$$

$$\text{For } f(x) = x^2, \quad x > 0$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = \sqrt{x}, \quad \sqrt{x^2} = x$$

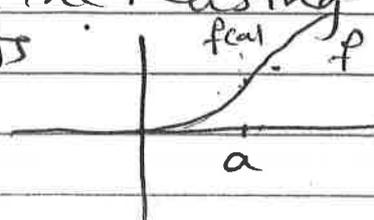
$$(\sqrt{x})^2 = x \quad \text{for } x > 0$$

Theorem (The Inverse Function Theorem)

Suppose that f is differentiable and one-to-one on an open interval I . If $f'(a) \neq 0$, $a \in I$, then f^{-1} exists and is differentiable at $f(a)$ and

$$(f^{-1})'(f(a)) = \frac{1}{f'(a)}$$

Proof f' is nonzero, so f is increasing or decreasing on I , so f^{-1} exists.



Take $y = f(x)$

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow f(a)} \frac{f^{-1}(y) - f^{-1}(f(a))}{y - f(a)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f^{-1}(f(x)) - f^{-1}(f(a))}{f(x) - f(a)}$$

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

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left(\frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} \right)^{-1} = \frac{1}{f'(a)}$$

This is often written $\frac{dx}{dy} = \frac{1}{dy/dx}$

Example $f(x) = x^2, \quad a = 2 \quad (x > 0)$
 $f'(x) = 2x$
 $\therefore f'(2) = 4$

$$\therefore \frac{d}{dx}(f^{-1}(f(2))) = \frac{1}{f'(2)} = \frac{1}{4}$$

To check

$$f^{-1}(x) = x^{1/2} \quad \frac{d}{dx}(x^{1/2}) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

$$f(2) = 4 \quad \therefore \frac{d}{dx} f^{-1}(4) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{4}} = \frac{1}{4}$$

Power Series and Taylor Expansions

A power series about a point x_0 is an expression

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x - x_0)^n$$

Many functions can be written this way

eg. $\sin x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}$

$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

By the ratio test a power series will converge if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}(x-x_0)^{n+1}}{a_n(x-x_0)^n} \right| = L < 1$$

or for all x such that

$$|x-x_0| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| < 1$$

the values of x for which this holds is the interval of convergence.

If the series converges for $|x-x_0| < R$, then it converges for all

$$x \in (x_0 - R, x_0 + R)$$

R is the radius of convergence.

Example The series $1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots = \frac{1}{1-x}$
This is the Geometric series
Geometric series. $a_n = x^n$

We apply the ratio test,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x^{n+1}}{x^n} \right| = |x| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 = |x| < 1$$

for $x \in (-1, 1)$

So Radius of convergence is 1

Theorem Let $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$ be a power

series with radius of convergence R . Then the series converges absolutely for $|x| < R$ and diverges for $|x| > R$

Theorem Let $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$ have radius of convergence R , Then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1}$ has radius of convergence R .

If $f: (-R, R) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$$

Then f is differentiable on $(-R, R)$

$$\text{and } f'(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1}$$

Definition A function is smooth if it is infinitely differentiable on an interval I . We say $f \in C^\infty(I)$

If $f \in C^n(I)$ it is n times continuously differentiable

If f is a smooth function around $a \in I$, the Taylor series of f about $a \in I$ is

$$\begin{aligned} T_f(x) = & f(a) + f'(a)(x-a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!}(x-a)^2 \\ & + \frac{f^{(3)}(a)}{3!}(x-a)^3 + \frac{f^{(4)}(a)}{4!}(x-a)^4 \\ & + \dots \end{aligned}$$

If f equals its Taylor series it is analytic.

$$\frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} = f'(c)$$

$\therefore f(b) = f(a) + f'(c)(b - a)$ — Mean Value Theorem. Taylor's Theorem extends this

Example $f(x) = e^x$, $a = 0$
 $f'(x) = e^x \therefore f'(0) = 1$
 $f''(x) = e^x \therefore f''(0) = 1$

In fact $f^{(n)}(0) = 1$

$$\therefore T_f(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)x^2}{2!} + \frac{f^{(3)}(0)x^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$$= 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

Let $g(x) = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!}$

$$g(-3) = 1 + 0.3 + \frac{(0.3)^2}{2} + \frac{(0.3)^3}{6} = 1.3495$$

$e^{0.3} = 1.3498$. So we get a very good approximation

Example $f(x) = \sin x$, $a = 0$

$$f'(x) = \cos x$$

$$f''(x) = -\sin x$$

$$f'''(x) = -\cos x$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = \sin x$$

$$T_f(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)x^2}{2!} + \frac{f'''(0)x^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$$= 0 + x + 0 - \frac{x^3}{3!} + 0 + \frac{x^5}{5!} + 0 - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots$$

$$= x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \cos x &= \frac{d}{dx} \sin x = \frac{d}{dx} \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots \right) \\ &= 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{(2n)!} \end{aligned}$$

We often define functions as Taylor series. (See differential equations)

$$\sin(0.3) \approx 0.3 - \frac{(0.3)^3}{3!}$$

Taylor's Theorem.