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# Chapter 1

## Foundations

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## Section 1. Introduction

**1.1. Definition:** The real number is a **complete ordered field**.

**1.2. Definition:** A **field** is a set  $F$  with two binary operations,  $+$ , and  $\cdot$ , which satisfies:

<b>P1.</b> Associative law for addition	$a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c.$
<b>P2.</b> Existence of an additive identity	$a + 0 = 0 + a = a.$
<b>P3.</b> Existence of additive inverse	$a + (-a) = (-a) + a = 0.$
<b>P4.</b> Commutative law for addition	$a + b = b + a.$
<b>P5.</b> Associative law for multiplication	$a \cdot (b \cdot c) = (a \cdot b) \cdot c.$
<b>P6.</b> Existence of a multiplicative identity	$a \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot a = a; \quad 1 \neq 0.$
<b>P7.</b> Existence of multiplicative inverses	$a \cdot a^{-1} = a^{-1} \cdot a = 1$ for $a \neq 0.$
<b>P8.</b> Commutative law for multiplication	$a \cdot b = b \cdot a.$
<b>P9.</b> Distributive law	$a \cdot (b + c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c.$

**1.3. Remark:**

- 0 is unique. ( $0 = 0 + 0' = 0'$ )
- $-a$  is unique.
- For all  $a, b$ ,  $(-a) \cdot b = -(ab)$
- For all  $a, b$ ,  $(-a) \cdot (-b) = a \cdot b$
- For all  $a, b$ ,  $a - b = b - a \iff a \cdot (1 + 1) = b \cdot (1 + 1)$

**1.4. Definition:** Given a field  $F$ .  $F$  is an **ordered field** if and only if there exist a subset  $P \subseteq F$  which is closed under addition and multiplication, and satisfies the Trichotomy Law, i.e.

**P10.** (Trichotomy law) For every number  $a \in F$ , one and only one of the following holds:

- $a = 0$ ,
- $a \in P$ ,
- $-a \in P$

**P11.** If  $a, b \in P$ , then  $a + b \in P$ .

**P12.** If  $a, b \in P$ , then  $a \times b \in P$ .

**1.5. Remark:** if  $P \subseteq F$  is an ordered field, then  $1 \in P$

**1.6. Definition:** The **absolute value** of  $a$  is

$$|a| := \begin{cases} a & \text{if } a \geq 0 \\ -a & \text{if } a < 0 \end{cases}$$

**1.7. Theorem:** *Triangle inequality and reverse triangle inequality:*

$$|x + y| \leq |x| + |y|, \quad ||x| - |y|| \leq |x - y|.$$

*Proof.* Note  $|x| = \max\{x, -x\}$  and  $\pm x \leq |x|$ , then

$$a + b \leq |a| + |b| \text{ and } -(a + b) \leq |a| + |b|,$$

which gives the first inequality, then we can use it to get the second statement:

$$|x + (-y) + y| \leq |x - y| + |y| \text{ and } |y + (-x) + x| \leq |y - x| + |x|$$

which means

$$|x| - |y| \leq |x - y| \text{ and } |y| - |x| \leq |y - x|$$

which gives the second inequality. □

**1.8. Definition:** A set  $A$  of elements of an ordered field  $F$  is **bounded above** (resp. *below*) if there exists an upper (resp. *lower*) bound  $b \in F$ , such that  $b \geq a$  (resp.  $b \leq a$ ) for all  $a \in A$ . A **least upper bound (supremum)** (resp. *greatest lower bound/infimum*)  $b_0$  of  $A$  is an upper bound of  $A$  and if  $b$  is any upper (resp. *lower*) bound,  $b_0 \leq b$  (resp.  $b_0 \geq b$ ).

**1.9. Proposition:** *The supremum and infimum of a set is unique if it exists.  $\inf(A) \leq \sup(A)$  if they both exist*

**1.10. Definition:**  $F$  is a complete ordered field if and only if for every nonempty subset of  $A$  such that  $A$  which is bounded above has a least upper bound.

**1.11. Theorem:** *A complete ordered field exist and a complete ordered field is unique up to isomorphism*

**1.12. Corollary:**

- 1) For every real number  $x$ , there is an integer  $k$  such that  $k > x$
- 2) For any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is an  $n > 0$  such that  $0 < \frac{1}{n} < \epsilon$
- 3) Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ , if  $y - x > 1$ , then there is an  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $x < k < y$ .
- 4)  $x < y \in \mathbb{R}$ , then there is a  $r \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $x < r < y$

**1.13. Theorem:** *There exist an element  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $x^2 = 2$ , i.e., 2 has a square root.*

*Proof.* Let

$$A = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x^2 < 2\},$$

clearly  $A$  is non-empty and  $\frac{3}{2}$  is an upper bound for  $A$ . Since  $\mathbb{R}$  is a complete ordered field, there exist an  $x = \sup(A) \in \mathbb{R}$  that is the least upper bound of  $A$ .

**Claim:**  $x^2 = 2$ .

Suppose not, then first suppose  $x^2 < 2$ , and we will show that for some small  $\delta > 0$ ,  $(x + \delta)^2 < 2$  which contradicts the fact that  $x = \sup(A)$  as  $x < x + \delta \in A$ .

To find  $\delta > 0$  with

$$(x + \delta)^2 < 2,$$

is the same as

$$x^2 + 2x\delta + \delta^2 < 2$$

$$\delta(2x + \delta) = 2x\delta + \delta^2 < 2 - x^2$$

since  $x < 3/2$ ,

$$2x + \delta \leq 3 + \delta,$$

hence we can simplify our inequality to

$$\delta(2x + \delta) \leq \delta(3 + \delta) < 2 - x^2.$$

since we want  $\delta$  small, lets just take  $\delta < 1$ , then we get

$$\delta(3 + \delta) \leq 4\delta < 2 - x^2$$

Solving for delta, we get

$$0 < \delta < \min(1, \frac{1}{4}(2 - x^2)).$$

Note that we have chosen to include the condition  $\delta \leq 1$  but it is not needed. To finish the argument, we can work backwards: let  $\delta$  be defined as above, then

$$\delta(2x + \delta) \leq \delta(3 + \delta) \leq 4\delta < 2 - x^2$$

which implies

$$x^2 + 2x\delta + \delta^2 < 2 \implies (x + \delta)^2 < 2.$$

As required, hence  $x^2 < 2$  happen. An analogous argument can be made to show that  $x^2 > 2$  is impossible. Therefore,  $x^2 = 2$ .

□

## Section 2. Proving with Induction

### 2.1. Definition (Principal of mathematical induction):

Let  $P$  be a predicate such that

- (1).  $P(1)$  is true.
- (2).  $P(k) \implies P(k + 1)$ .

Then  $P(k)$  is true for all natural number  $k$ .

**2.2.** The principle of mathematical induction may be formulated in an equivalent way that is better suited in a mathematical discussion.

### 2.3. Definition: Suppose $A$ is any collection of natural numbers, then

- (1).  $1 \in A$ ,
- (2).  $k \in A \implies k + 1 \in A$

then  $A = \mathbb{N}$ .

### 2.4. Definition (Complete induction): If $A$ is a set of natural numbers and

- (1).  $1 \in A$ ,
- (2).  $1, \dots, k \in A \implies k + 1 \in A$ ,

then  $A = \mathbb{N}$ .

**2.5. Theorem (Well ordering principle):** *If  $A$  is a nonempty subset of  $\mathbb{N}$ , then  $A$  has a least element.*

**2.6. Proposition:** *If  $m$  is any integer and  $n$  is a positive integer, there exist unique  $q$  and  $r$  such that  $m = qn + r$  and  $0 \leq r < n$*

*Proof.* Let  $m, q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,  $A = \{m - qn \mid q \in \mathbb{Z}\} \cap \mathbb{N}$ , clearly  $A$  is nonempty, since if  $m \geq 0$  then  $m \in A$  when  $q = 0$ , and if  $m < 0$ , then the element  $m - qn$  such that  $q$  is the smallest integer such that  $m - qn > 0$  is in the set.

By the well ordering principle, there exist a smallest element  $m - qn = r \in A$  where  $r > 0$ .

To prove  $r < n$ , assume the opposite, so  $r \geq n$ , then  $m - qn \geq n$  which implies  $m - n(q + 1) \geq 0$ . However, this number also satisfies the conditions to be in  $A$  and is smaller than  $r$ , which is a contradiction as we claimed  $r$  to be the smallest element in  $A$ .  $\square$

**2.7. Theorem:** *Mathematical induction  $\Leftrightarrow$  Complete Mathematical induction  $\Leftrightarrow$  Well Ordering*

*Proof.* **MI  $\Rightarrow$  CMI:** Let  $S = \{k \in \mathbb{N} \mid 1, \dots, k \in \mathbb{N} \implies k + 1 \in S\}$  and that  $1 \in S$ . Assume MI, we want to show  $S = \mathbb{N}$ , that is, CMI is true. Let  $A = \{k \in \mathbb{N} \mid 1, \dots, k \in S\}$ , then  $1 \in A$ . Assume  $k \in A$ , then by definition of  $S$ ,  $k + 1 \in S$ , and hence  $k + 1 \in A$ , by mathematical induction, we have  $A = \mathbb{N}$ , hence  $S = \mathbb{N}$ , as required.

**CMI  $\Rightarrow$  WO:** Suppose we have a nonempty set  $A = \{a \in \mathbb{N}\}$  and  $B = \{n \in \mathbb{N} \mid n \notin A\}$ , we want to show  $1 \in A$ . Suppose not,  $A$  does not have a minimal element, this means  $1, \dots, k \in B$  which implies  $1, \dots, k \notin A \implies k + 1 \notin A$ , as otherwise it would be the least element of  $A$ . Then by strong induction,  $\mathbb{N} \in B$  and  $A = \emptyset$ , which is a contradiction. Thus  $1 \in A$ .

**WO  $\Rightarrow$  MI:** Suppose we have a set  $P$  such that  $1 \in P$  and  $n \in P \implies n + 1 \in P$ , we want to show  $P = \mathbb{N}$ . Suppose not, then we have a non-empty set  $S = \{n \in \mathbb{N} \mid n \notin P\}$ . By WO, there exist a least element in  $S$  which is not 1. Let  $k$  be its least element, then  $k - 1 \notin S$  which implies  $k - 1 \in P$ . But by definition of  $P$ ,  $k - 1 \in P \implies k \in P$ , which is a contradiction. Thus  $P = \mathbb{N}$  and  $WO \Rightarrow MI$ .  $\square$

**2.8. Theorem (Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic):** *Every positive integer except 1 can be represented in one way up to isomorphism as a product of one or more primes.*

*Proof.* Base case:  $2 = 2$ ,  $3 = 3$ ,  $4 = 2 \cdot 2$ ,  $5 = 5$ , clearly, first few numbers can be factored into primes.

Inductive step: Suppose every number  $n \leq k$  can be factored in to product numbers. We consider  $k + 1$ , it is either a prime in which case we are done, or a composite number, thus it can be written as the product of 2 factors, so  $k + 1 = n_1 n_2$  s.t.  $n_1, n_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $2 \leq n_1, n_2 < k + 1$ . By induction hypothesis,  $n_1$  can be written in the form of  $p_1 p_2 \dots p_k$  and  $n_2$  can be written in the form of  $q_1 q_2 \dots q_r$ . Multiplying them, we get  $p_1 q_1 p_2 q_2 \dots p_k q_r$ . Therefore, since  $k + 1$  is a product of prime numbers, by strong induction, all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}, n > 1$  can be written uniquely as a prime numbers.  $\square$

### Section 3. Functions

**3.1. Definition:** A function  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is a subset  $S \subseteq A \times B$ , where

- (1). we write  $f(a) = b$  if  $(a, b) \in S$
- (2).  $\forall a \in A, \exists (a, b) \in S$
- (3). if  $(a_1, b_1), (a_2, b_2) \in S$ , then  $a_1 = a_2 \implies b_1 = b_2$

**3.2. Remark:**

Domain:  $\text{dom } f = \{a \in A \mid \exists b \in B, (a, b) \in S\}$

Range:  $\text{ran } f = \{b \in B \mid \exists (a, b) \in S\}$



**3.3. Theorem (Formula for an ellipse):**  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

*Proof.* An ellipse is defined as the set of points whose distance from each of two "focus" adds up to the same value. For convenience, let them be  $(-c, 0)$ ,  $(c, 0)$ , and the sum of distances to be  $2a$ . Using the distance formula:

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{(x - (-c))^2 + y^2} + \sqrt{(x - c)^2 + y^2} &= 2a \\ \sqrt{(x + c)^2 + y^2} &= 2a - \sqrt{(x - c)^2 + y^2} \\ x^2 + 2cx + c^2 + y^2 &= 4a^2 - 4a\sqrt{(x - c)^2 + y^2} + x^2 - 2cx + c^2 + y^2 \\ 4(cx - a^2) &= -4a\sqrt{(x - c)^2 + y^2} \\ c^2x^2 - 2cxa^2 + a^4 &= a^2(x^2 - 2cx + c^2 + y^2) \\ (c^2 - a^2)x^2 - a^2y^2 &= a^2(c^2 - a^2) \\ \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{a^2 - c^2} &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

we usually let  $b = \sqrt{a^2 - c^2}$  so the equation becomes

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$$

□

**3.4. Remark:** The **hyperbola** is defined analogously, except we require the *difference* of the two distances to be constant

$$\sqrt{(x - (-c))^2 + y^2} - \sqrt{(x - c)^2 + y^2} = \pm 2a, \implies \frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{a^2 - c^2} = 1$$

However, in this case, we must choose  $c > a$ , so  $a^2 - c^2 < 0$ , otherwise its an ellipse. So let  $b = \sqrt{c^2 - a^2}$ , and get  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

## Section 4. Limits

**4.1. Definition (Delta-Epsilon):** The function  $f$  approaches the limit  $l$  near  $a$  means:

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0, \text{ s.t. } \forall x, 0 < |x - a| < \delta \implies |f(x) - l| < \epsilon$$

**4.2. Definition (Uniqueness of Limit):** If a function  $f$  approaches  $l$  near  $a$ , and approaches  $m$  near  $a$ , then  $l = m$

*Proof.* Suppose the limit is not unique, then

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta_1 > 0, \text{ s.t. } \forall x, 0 < |x - a| < \delta_1 \implies |f(x) - l| < \epsilon$$

and

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta_2 > 0, \text{ s.t. } \forall x, 0 < |x - a| < \delta_2 \implies |f(x) - m| < \epsilon$$

We used  $\delta_1$  and  $\delta_2$  since we can't ensure that the  $\delta$  which satisfy one definition will work in the other. However, it is easy to conclude that for all  $\epsilon > 0$ , there will be some  $\delta > 0$  that works if we just simply choose  $\delta = \min(\delta_1, \delta_2)$ . Now let  $\epsilon = \frac{|l-m|}{2}$ , it follows that

$$0 < |x - a| < \delta \implies |f(x) - m| < \frac{|l - m|}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad |f(x) - l| < \frac{|l - m|}{2}$$

By triangle inequality,

$$|l - m| = |l - f(x) + f(x) - m| \leq |f(x) - l| + |f(x) - m| < 2 \cdot \frac{|l - m|}{2} = |l - m|$$

which is a contradiction.  $\square$

*Intuitively, we can think of  $[l - \epsilon, l + \epsilon]$  as the range of possible  $f(x)$ , such that no matter what  $\epsilon$  we are given, we can always find a  $\delta$  such that any  $x$  in the interval  $[x - \delta, x + \delta]$  gives a  $f(x) \in [l - \epsilon, l + \epsilon]$*

**4.3. Theorem:** If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = l$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = m$ , then

- (1).  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f + g)(x) = l + m$ .
- (2).  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f \cdot g)(x) = l \cdot m$ .
- (3). If  $m \neq 0$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (\frac{1}{g})(x) = \frac{1}{m}$ .

**4.4. Lemma (1):** If  $|x - x_0| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$  and  $|y - y_0| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ , then  $|(x + y) - (x_0 + y_0)| < \epsilon$

*Proof.*

$$|(x + y) - (x_0 + y_0)| = |(x - x_0) + (y - y_0)| \leq |x - x_0| + |y - y_0| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon$$

$\square$

**4.5. Lemma (2):** If  $|x - x_0| < \min(1, \frac{\epsilon}{2(|y_0|+1)})$  and  $|y - y_0| < \frac{\epsilon}{2(|x_0|+1)}$ , then  $|xy - x_0y_0| < \epsilon$

*Proof.*  $|x| - |x_0| \leq |x - x_0| < 1 \implies |x| < 1 + |x_0|$ .

$$\begin{aligned} |xy - x_0y_0| &= |xy - xy_0 + xy_0 - x_0y_0| \leq |x(y - y_0)| + |y_0(x - x_0)| \\ &\leq |x| \cdot |y - y_0| + |y_0| \cdot |x - x_0| \\ &< (1 + |x_0|) \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{2(|x_0| + 1)} + |y_0| \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{2(|y_0| + 1)} \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \\ &= \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

□

**4.6. Lemma (3):** If  $y_0 \neq 0$  and  $|y - y_0| < \min(\frac{|y_0|}{2}, \frac{\epsilon|y_0|^2}{2})$ , then  $y \neq 0$  and  $|\frac{1}{y} - \frac{1}{y_0}| < \epsilon$

*Proof.*  $|y_0| - |y| \leq |y - y_0| < \frac{|y_0|}{2} \implies |y| > \frac{|y_0|}{2}$ . Clearly  $y \neq 0$  so  $\frac{1}{|y|} < \frac{2}{|y_0|}$ .

$$\left| \frac{1}{y} - \frac{1}{y_0} \right| = \frac{|y_0 - y|}{|y| \cdot |y_0|} < \frac{2}{|y_0|} \cdot \frac{1}{|y_0|} \cdot \frac{\epsilon|y_0|^2}{2} = \epsilon$$

□

*Proof.* Now to prove each theorem in 4.3:

(1) The hypothesis states that there are  $\delta_1, \delta_2 > 0$  such that for all  $x$ ,

$$0 < |x - a| < \delta_1 \implies |f(x) - l| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad 0 < |x - a| < \delta_2 \implies |f(x) - l| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

Let  $\delta = \min(\delta_1, \delta_2)$ , so that  $0 < |x - a| < \delta$  implies both implication. By lemma 1, this implies  $|(f + g)(x) - (l + m)| < \epsilon$

(2) Similarly,

$$0 < |x - a| < \delta_1 \implies |f(x) - l| < \min(1, \frac{\epsilon}{2(|m| + 1)}) \quad \text{and} \quad 0 < |x - a| < \delta_2 \implies |f(x) - l| < \frac{\epsilon}{2|l| + 1}$$

Let  $\delta = \min(\delta_1, \delta_2)$ , thus if  $0 < |x - a| < \delta$ , both implication stands and by lemma 2, this implies  $|(f \cdot g)(x) - l \cdot m| < \epsilon$ .

(3) If  $\epsilon > 0$  then there exist  $\delta > 0$  such that for all  $x$ ,

$$0 < |x - a| < \delta \implies |g(x) - m| < \min(\frac{|m|}{2}, \frac{\epsilon|m|^2}{2})$$

By lemma 3, this implies  $g(x) \neq 0$  and  $|(\frac{1}{g})(x) - \frac{1}{m}| < \epsilon$

□

**4.7. Lemma:** If  $|g(x) - m|$  is small we want estimates

$$|g(x)| < 1 + |m| \quad \text{and if } m \neq 0, \frac{|m|}{2} < |g(x)|$$

*Alternative proof.* (1) Let

$$\epsilon_1 = \frac{\epsilon}{2}, \epsilon_2 = \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

Given any  $\epsilon > 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 < |x - a| < \delta &\implies |(f + g)(x) - l - m| < \epsilon \\ |f(x) - l + g(x) - m| &\leq |f(x) - l| + |g(x) - m| < \epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2 = \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

(2) Suppose  $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2 < 1$ , then

$$\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 = \frac{1}{2}(\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 + \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2) < \frac{1}{2}(\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2)$$

we have  $0 < |x - a| < \delta \implies |(f \cdot g)(x) - l \cdot m| < \epsilon$

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x)g(x) - l \cdot m| &= |(f(x) - l)g(x) + lg(x) - m| \\ &= |(f(x) - l)(g(x) - m) + m(f(x) - l) + l(g(x) - m)| \\ &\leq |f(x) - l||g(x) - m| + |m||f(x) - l| + |l||g(x) - m| \\ &< \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 + |m|\epsilon_1 + |l|\epsilon_2 \\ &< \frac{1}{2}(\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2) + |m|\epsilon_1 + |l|\epsilon_2 \\ &= \epsilon_1\left(\frac{1}{2} + |m|\right) + \epsilon_2\left(\frac{1}{2} + |l|\right) \\ &\stackrel{?}{<} \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

Take

$$\delta_1 \text{ s.t. } \epsilon_1 = \frac{\epsilon}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2} + |m|}$$

$$\delta_2 \text{ s.t. } \epsilon_2 = \frac{\epsilon}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2} + |l|}$$

$$\epsilon_1 = \min\left(1, \frac{\epsilon}{1 + 2|m|}\right), \epsilon_2 = \min\left(1, \frac{\epsilon}{1 + 2|l|}\right)$$

We take  $\delta = \min(\delta_1, \delta_2)$  and we get LHS  $< \epsilon$

(3) by (2),

$$\left|\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} - \frac{l}{m}\right| \stackrel{?}{<} \epsilon$$

is the same as solving whether

$$\left|\frac{1}{g(x)} - \frac{1}{m}\right| \stackrel{?}{<} \epsilon, \text{ or } \frac{|g(x) - m|}{|g(x)||m|} \stackrel{?}{<} \epsilon$$

To solve this we first prove the *above + below lemma*

*Proof:* Suppose  $|g(x)| - |m| < |g(x) - m| < 1$ , then above:  $|g(x)| < 1 + |m|$

Suppose  $|m| - |g(x)| < |g(x) - m| < \frac{|m|}{2}$ , then below:  $|m| < \frac{|m|}{2} + |g(x)| \implies \frac{|m|}{2} < |g(x)|$

Back to proving (3), now supposed  $|g(x) - m| < \frac{|m|}{2}$  ( $m \neq 0$ )

then

$$\frac{|g(x) - m|}{|g(x)||m|} < \frac{|g(x) - m|}{\frac{|m|}{2}|m|} = \frac{2}{|m|^2}|g(x) - m| \stackrel{?}{<} \epsilon$$

Take  $\delta$  s.t.  $|g(x) - m| < \min(\frac{|m|}{2}, \frac{\epsilon}{2} \cdot |m|^2)$  and we get the desired equation.  $\square$

**4.8. Intuition:** The lemmas (1,2,3) we proved is merely saying that, when  $x$  is close to  $x_0$ , and  $y$  is closed to  $y_0$ , then  $x + y$  will be closed to  $x_0 + y_0$ , and  $xy$  will be close to  $x_0y_0$ , and  $\frac{1}{y}$  will be closed to  $\frac{1}{y_0}$

**4.9. Definition:** Sometimes we would like to only speak about the limit of  $f$  approaches some  $a$  on one side. In that case, we have limit from above and below which are defined as:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = l \text{ if } \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0, \text{ s.t. } \forall x, 0 < x - a < \delta \implies |f(x) - l| < \epsilon$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = l \text{ if } \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0, \text{ s.t. } \forall x, 0 < a - x < \delta \implies |f(x) - l| < \epsilon$$

**4.10. Note:** When talking about the limit of  $f(x)$  as  $x$  approaches  $\infty$ , or  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ , we often call this the limit at infinity, and it is defined as:

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N, \text{ s.t. } \forall x, x > N \implies |f(x) - l| < \epsilon$$

4.3 also works on limits to infinity if we take  $N = \max(N_1, N_2)$

**4.11. Note:** When we talk about an infinite limit at a point  $a$ , we say that the limit of  $f(x)$  as  $x$  approaches  $a$  diverges to infinity,

$$\forall M > 0, \exists \delta > 0, \text{ s.t. } \forall x, 0 < |x - a| < \delta \implies f(x) > M$$

## Section 5. Supplementary: Countable Sets

**5.1. Definition:** A set  $A$  is countable if there is a **surjective** function  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow A$

**5.2. Fact:**

- (1).  $A$  is finite  $\implies$  countable
- (2).  $A \in \mathcal{N} \implies$  countable
- (3). If  $B \rightarrow A$  surjective then  $B$  countable  $\implies A$  countable
- (4).  $A \subseteq B$  then  $B$  countable  $\implies A$  countable
- (5).  $\mathbb{Q}$  is countable
- (6).  $\mathbb{R}$  is not countable

(4). Suppose  $B$  is countable, let  $f$  be the surjective map from  $\mathbb{N} \rightarrow B$ , let  $f^{-1} = \{n | f(n) \in A\}$ . Since  $f : f^{-1}(A) \subset \mathbb{N} \rightarrow A$  is surjective we have that  $A$  is countable  $\square$

(5). Let's write all  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  as a fraction  $\frac{a}{b}$  such that  $a, b > 0$  and they have no common factor. By the fundamental theorem of arithmetic:

$$a = p_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots p_r^{\alpha_r}, b = q_1^{\beta_1} \cdots q_s^{\beta_s}, \alpha_i, \beta_j > 0$$

We define a function  $f : \mathbb{Q}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  which sends  $\frac{a}{b} \mapsto p_1^{2\alpha_1} \cdots p_r^{2\alpha_r} \cdot q_1^{2\beta_1+1} \cdots q_s^{2\beta_s+1} \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since prime factorization is unique this function is injective and thus a subset of  $\mathbb{N}$ , therefore  $\mathbb{Q}$  is countable.  $\square$

**5.3. Fact:**  $\mathbb{R}$  is uncountable.

## Section 6. Continuous functions

**6.1. Definition:** The function  $f$  is continuous at  $a$  if

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

**6.2. Definition:** If  $f$  and  $g$  are continuous at  $a$ , then

- (1).  $f + g$  is continuous at  $a$
- (2).  $f \cdot g$  is continuous at  $a$
- (3). If  $g(a) \neq 0$ , then  $\frac{1}{g}$  is continuous at  $a$

*Proof.* Since  $f$  and  $g$  are continuous at  $a$ , then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a) \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = g(a)$$

(1) By theorem 4.3,

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

(2) By theorem 4.3,

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

(3)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) = \frac{f(a)}{g(a)} = \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(a)$$

□

**6.3. Note (continuous limit):**

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0, \text{ s.t. } \forall x, |x - a| < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(a)| < \epsilon$$

**6.4. Theorem:** If  $g$  is continuous at  $a$ , and  $f$  is continuous at  $g(a)$ , then  $f \circ g$  is continuous at  $a$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\epsilon > 0$ , our goal is to show there exist  $\delta' > 0$  such that

$$|x - a| < \delta' \implies |f(g(x)) - f(g(a))| < \epsilon$$

Since  $g$  is continuous at  $a$ , we know for all  $\epsilon'$  that there exist  $\delta'$  such that

$$|x - a| < \delta' \implies |g(x) - g(a)| < \epsilon'$$

Since  $f$  is continuous at  $g(a)$ , we know for all  $\epsilon$  such that

$$|g(x) - g(a)| < \delta \implies |f(g(x)) - f(g(a))| < \epsilon$$

Since  $\delta$  is just some positive number, we can take it as  $\epsilon'$ , so then the equation becomes

$$|x - a| < \delta' \implies |g(x) - g(a)| < \epsilon' (= \delta) \implies |f(g(x)) - f(g(a))| < \epsilon$$

□

**6.5. Definition:** We say  $f$  is continuous on  $(a, b)$  if it is continuous at every point in  $(a, b)$ . However, if  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , then it is continuous on every point in  $(a, b)$  and  $\lim_{a^+} f(x) = f(a)$  and  $\lim_{a \rightarrow b^-} f(x) = f(b)$

**6.6. Lemma:** Suppose  $f$  is continuous at  $a$ , and  $f(a) > 0$ , then there exist  $\delta > 0$ , such that  $f(x) > 0$  for all  $x \in |x - a| < \delta$ . Similarly, if  $f(a) < 0$ , then there exist  $\delta > 0$ , such that  $f(x) < 0$  for all  $x \in |x - a| < \delta$ . Similar arguments are also correct for one-sided limits.

*Proof.* Consider  $f(a) > 0$ , since  $f$  is continuous at  $a$ , there exist a  $\delta > 0$ , such that for all  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $|x - a| < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(a)| < \epsilon$ . Since  $f(a) > 0$ , take  $\epsilon = f(a)$ , then

$$|x - a| < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(a)| < f(a)$$

which implies  $f(x) > 0$ . An analogous argument can be given for  $f(a) < 0$  by setting  $\epsilon = -f(a)$ . As well as one-sided arguments. □



## Section 7. Important theorems

**7.1. Theorem:** Suppose  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and  $f(a) < 0 < f(b)$ , then there is some  $x$  in  $[a, b]$  such that  $f(x) = 0$ .

*Proof.* Let  $A = \{x \in [a, b] \mid f < 0 \text{ on } [a, x]\}$ . Then  $A \neq \emptyset$  since  $a \in A$ . By 6.6, there exist an interval  $[a, a + \delta)$  such that  $f(x) < 0 \forall x \in [a, a + \delta)$ . Similarly,  $b$  is an upper bound of  $A$ , and since  $f(b) > 0$ , there exist  $\delta > 0$  such that all  $x \in b - \delta < x \leq b$  are upper bounds of  $A$ . By P13, there exist a least upper bound  $\alpha$  of  $A$ , or  $\sup(A)$ , we now wish to show that  $f(\alpha) = 0$ . Suppose first  $f(\alpha) > 0$ , then by 6.6,  $f(x) > 0$  on  $(\alpha - \delta, \alpha + \delta)$  for some  $\delta > 0$ . However we know that there is  $x_0$  in  $A$  in  $\alpha - \delta < x_0 < \alpha$ , since otherwise  $\alpha$  would not be the least upper bound, but then this means that  $f(x_0) > 0$  which is impossible, thus  $f(\alpha)$  cannot be larger than 0. Suppose  $f(\alpha) < 0$ , then  $f(x) < 0$  on  $(\alpha - \delta, \alpha + \delta)$ . Now there is some  $x_0 \in A$  which satisfies  $\alpha - \delta < x_0 < \alpha$ , so  $f$  is negative on  $[x, x_0]$ , but if  $x_1$  is a number on the interval  $[\alpha, \alpha + \delta)$ , then  $f$  is negative on the interval  $[a, x_1]$  so  $x_1 \in A$ , which is impossible as well. Therefore,  $f(\alpha) = 0$ .  $\square$

**7.2. Proposition:** If  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and  $f(a) < c < f(b)$ , then there is some  $x$  in  $[a, b]$  such that  $f(x) = c$ .

*Proof.* Let  $g = f - c$ , then  $g$  is continuous and  $g(a) < 0 < g(b)$ , by 7.1, there exist  $x \in [a, b]$  such that  $g(x) = 0$ , which means  $f(x) = c$ .  $\square$

**7.3. Proposition:** If  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and  $f(a) > c > f(b)$ , then there is some  $x$  in  $[a, b]$  such that  $f(x) = c$ .

*Proof.*  $-f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and  $-f(a) < -c < -f(b)$ , by 7.2, there exist  $x \in [a, b]$  such that  $-f(x) = -c$ , which means  $f(x) = c$ .  $\square$

**7.4. Fact:** If  $f$  is continuous at  $a$ , then there is a  $\delta > 0$ , s.t.  $f$  is bounded above on  $(a - \delta, a + \delta)$ . (Also variation on one side limits)

*Proof.* Since  $f$  continuous at  $a$ , take  $\epsilon = 1$ , then we have

$$\exists \delta > 0, \text{ s.t. } |x - a| < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(a)| < 1 \implies f(x) < f(a) + 1$$

$\square$

**7.5. Theorem:** If  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , then  $f$  is bounded above on  $[a, b]$

*Proof.* Let  $A = \{x \in [a, b] \mid f \text{ is bounded above on } [a, x]\}$  By 7.4,  $A \neq \emptyset$  as  $a \in A$ , since  $b$  is an upperbound of  $A$ , there exist a supremum of  $A$ , lets call  $\alpha$ , we want to show that  $\alpha = b$ . We know  $a < \alpha \leq b$ . Suppose  $\alpha < b$ , then there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $f$  is bounded on  $(\alpha - \delta, \alpha + \delta)$ . Since  $\alpha$  is the least upper bound there exist  $x_0$  in  $A$  satisfying  $\alpha - \delta < x_0 < \alpha$ . So  $f$  is bounded on  $[a, x_0]$ . But there also exists  $x_1$  such that  $\alpha < x_1 < \alpha + \delta$ , and so  $f$  is bounded on  $[x_0, x_1]$ . Therefore,  $f$  is

bounded on  $[a, x_1]$  which contradicts the fact that  $\alpha$  is an upper bound for  $A$ , and thus  $\alpha = b$ . Now we have proved that  $f$  is bounded on  $[a, x]$  for all  $x < b$ , we are only left to prove that  $f$  is indeed bounded on  $[a, b]$ . By 7.4, since  $b$  is 'continuous' from below, there exist  $\delta > 0$  s.t.  $f$  is bounded on  $(b - \delta, b]$ . Take any  $x$  in this interval, we know  $f$  is bounded on  $[a, x]$  and  $[x, b]$ , hence  $f$  is bounded on  $[a, b]$   $\square$

**7.6. Proposition:** *If  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , then  $f$  is bounded below on  $[a, b]$ , i.e. there is some number  $N$  such that  $f(x) \geq N$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$*

*Proof.* The function  $-f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , so by 7.5 there is a number  $M$  such that  $-f(x) \leq M$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$ , which means  $f(x) \geq -M$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$ , so we can let  $N = -M$ .  $\square$

**7.7. Corollary:** *7.5 and 7.6 together shows that a continuous function  $f$  on  $[a, b]$  is bounded on  $[a, b]$ , i.e., there is a number  $N$  such that  $|f(x)| \leq N$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$ . Suppose we have  $N_1$  such that  $f(x) \leq N_1$ , and  $N_2$  such that  $f(x) \geq N_2$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$ , we can take  $N = \max(|N_1|, |N_2|)$*

**7.8. Theorem:** *If  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , then there is a number  $y$  in  $[a, b]$  such that  $f(y) \geq f(x)$  for all  $x$  in  $[a, b]$*

*Proof.* Let  $B = \{f(x) | x \in [a, b]\}$ .  $B \neq \emptyset$ , and by 7.5,  $B$  is bounded above and  $\sup(B) = \beta$  exists. Since  $\beta \geq f(x)$  for  $x \in [a, b]$  it suffices to show that  $\beta = f(y)$  for some  $y \in [a, b]$ . Suppose not, let  $g(x) = \frac{1}{\beta - f(x)}$ . Then  $g$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  since the denominator is never 0, and by 7.5,  $g$  is bounded on  $[a, b]$ . However, by the definition of  $\beta$ , we can find  $x$  in  $[a, b]$  such that  $\beta - f(x)$  can be made arbitrary small. That is,

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists x \in [a, b], \text{ s.t. } \beta - f(x) < \epsilon$$

This, in turn, means,

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists x \in [a, b], \text{ s.t. } g(x) > \frac{1}{\epsilon}$$

Which implies  $g$  is not bounded on  $[a, b]$ , contradicting our assumption.  $\square$

**7.9. Proposition:** *If  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , then there is some  $y$  in  $[a, b]$  such that  $f(y) \leq f(x)$  for all  $x$  in  $[a, b]$*

*Proof.* The function  $-f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , by 7.8, there is some  $y$  in  $[a, b]$  such that  $-f(y) \geq -f(x)$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$ , which implies that  $f(y) \leq f(x)$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$   $\square$

**7.10. Theorem:** *Every positive number has a square root, in other words, if  $\alpha > 0$ , then there is some number  $x$  such that  $x^2 = \alpha$*

*Proof.* Consider  $f(x) = x^2$  which is continuous. The statement of "the number  $\alpha$  has a square root" simply means  $f(x)$  takes on the value  $\alpha$  which is an easy consequence of 7.3. There is obviously a number  $b > 0$  such that  $f(b) > \alpha$ , and  $\alpha$  always  $> 0$ . So we can apply 7.3 to  $[0, b]$ .  $\square$

**7.11. Intuition:** The same argument can be used to prove that a positive number has an  $n$ th root, for all natural number  $n$ , and if  $n$  happens to be odd, we can actually prove that every number has an  $n$ th root, i.e., if  $x^n = a$ , then  $(-x)^n = -a$

**7.12. Theorem:** *If  $n$  is odd, then any equation*

$$x^n + a_{n-1}x^{n-1} + \cdots + a_0 = 0$$

*has a root.*

*Proof.* Consider the function  $f(x) = x^n + a_{n-1}x^{n-1} + \cdots + a_0$ . The idea is that for a large  $|x|$ , this function act very much like  $g(x) = x^n$ , and since  $n$  is odd,  $f(x)$  is positive for large positive  $x$ , and negative for large negative  $x$ .

$$f(x) = x^n + a_{n-1}x^{n-1} + \cdots + a_0 = x^n \left( 1 + \frac{a_{n-1}}{x} + \cdots + \frac{a_0}{x^n} \right)$$

Note that,

$$\left| \frac{a_{n-1}}{x} + \cdots + \frac{a_0}{x^n} \right| \leq \frac{|a_{n-1}|}{|x|} + \cdots + \frac{|a_0|}{|x^n|}.$$

So lets choose an  $x$  satisfying

$$|x| > 1, 2n|a_{n-1}|, \dots, 2n|a_0| \quad (*)$$

Then  $|x^k| > |x|$  and

$$\frac{|a_{n-k}|}{|x^k|} < \frac{|a_{n-k}|}{|x|} < \frac{|a_{n-k}|}{2n|a_{n-k}|} = \frac{1}{2n}$$

So

$$\left| \frac{a_{n-1}}{x} + \cdots + \frac{a_0}{x^n} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2n} + \cdots + \frac{1}{2n} = \frac{1}{2}$$

In other words,

$$-\frac{1}{2} \leq \frac{a_{n-1}}{x} + \cdots + \frac{a_0}{x^n} \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

Which implies

$$\frac{1}{2} \leq 1 + \frac{a_{n-1}}{x} + \cdots + \frac{a_0}{x^n}$$

Therefore, if we choose an  $x_1 > 0$  which satisfies  $*$ ,

$$\frac{(x_1)^n}{2} \leq (x_1)^n \left( 1 + \frac{a_{n-1}}{x_1} + \cdots + \frac{a_0}{(x_1)^n} \right) = f(x_1)$$

so that  $f(x_1) > 0$ , and if we choose an  $x_2 < 0$  which satisfies  $*$ , then

$$\frac{(x_2)^n}{2} \geq (x_2)^n \left( 1 + \frac{a_{n-1}}{x_2} + \cdots + \frac{a_0}{(x_2)^n} \right) = f(x_2)$$

so  $f(x_2) < 0$ .

Now we can apply 7.1 to the interval  $[x_2, x_1]$  and conclude that there must be some  $x$  in the interval such that  $f(x) = 0$   $\square$

**7.13. Theorem:** *If  $n$  is even and  $f(x) = x^n + a_{n-1}x^{n-1} + \dots + a_0$ , then there is a number  $y$  such that  $f(y) \leq f(x)$  for all  $x$ .*

*Proof.* Similar to last proof, if we have  $M = \max(1, 2n|a_{n-1}|, \dots, 2n|a_0|)$ , then for all  $x$  with  $|x| \geq M$ , we have

$$\frac{1}{2} \leq 1 + \frac{a_{n-1}}{x} + \dots + \frac{a_0}{x^n}$$

Since  $n$  is even,  $x^n \geq 0$  for all  $x$ , so

$$\frac{(x)^n}{2} \leq (x)^n \left(1 + \frac{a_{n-1}}{x} + \dots + \frac{a_0}{(x)^n}\right) = f(x)$$

if  $|x| \geq M$ . Now consider  $f(0)$ , let  $b > 0$  be a number that such  $b^n \geq 2f(0)$  and  $b > M$ . Then, if  $x \geq b$ , we have

$$f(x) \geq \frac{x^n}{2} \geq \frac{b^n}{2} \geq f(0)$$

If  $x \leq -b$ , then

$$f(x) \geq \frac{x^n}{2} \geq \frac{(-b)^n}{2} = \frac{b^n}{2} \geq f(0)$$

Therefore, if  $x \geq b$  or  $x \leq -b$ , then  $f(x) \geq f(0)$ .

Apply 7.8 on the interval  $[-b, b]$ , we conclude that there is a number  $y$  such that

$$-b \leq x \leq b \implies f(y) \leq f(x)$$

In particular,  $f(y) \leq f(0)$  because  $0 \in [-b, b]$ , thus

$$x \leq -b \text{ or } x \geq b \implies f(x) \geq f(0) \geq f(y)$$

Combining the last two equation we see that  $f(y) \leq f(x)$  for all  $x$ .  $\square$

**7.14. Intuition:** The idea here is to show first that a minimum  $f(y)$  exist on an interval, ex.  $[-b, b]$ , then we show that all elements not in the interval are also greater than this minimum.

**7.15. Theorem:** *Consider the equation*

$$x^n + a_{n-1}x^{n-1} + \dots + a_0 = c$$

*and suppose  $n$  is even, then there is a number  $m$  such that the equation has a solution for  $c \geq m$  and has no solution for  $c < m$*

*Proof.* Let  $f(x) = x^n + a_{n-1}x^{n-1} + \dots + a_0$ . According to the lsat theorem there is a number  $y$  such that  $f(y) \leq f(x)$  for all  $x$ . Let  $m = f(y)$ , if  $c < m$ , then the equation obviously has no solution. If  $c = m$ , then  $y$  is a solution. If  $c > m$ , let  $b > y$  and  $f(b) > c$ . Then we have  $f(y) < c < f(b)$ , and by IVT, there exist  $x \in [y, b]$  such that  $f(x) = c$ , so  $x$  is a solutoin.  $\square$

**7.16. Theorem:**  $\mathbb{N}$  is not bounded above.

*Proof.* Suppose  $\mathbb{N}$  is bounded above, since  $\mathbb{N} \neq \emptyset$ , there exist a least upper bound  $\alpha$  of  $\mathbb{N}$ , then

$$a \geq n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

and also

$$\alpha \geq n + 1 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Since  $n + 1 \in \mathbb{N}$  if  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , but this means

$$\alpha - 1 \geq n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

which means  $\alpha - 1$  is also an upper bound for  $\mathbb{N}$ , contradicting our assumption.  $\square$

**7.17. Theorem:** For any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a natural number  $n$  with  $\frac{1}{n} < \epsilon$

*Proof.* Suppose not, then for some  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\frac{1}{n} \geq \epsilon \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $n \leq \frac{1}{\epsilon} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . But this means that  $\frac{1}{\epsilon}$  is an upper bound for  $\mathbb{N}$ , contradicting our last theorem.  $\square$

## Section 8. Uniform Continuity

**8.1. Definition:** The function  $f$  is **uniformly continuous on an interval**  $A$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there is some  $\delta > 0$  such that, for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $A$ ,

$$|x - y| < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$$

**8.2. Lemma (Splice Lemma):** Let  $a < b < c$  and let  $f$  be continuous on the interval  $[a, c]$  s.t.  $\forall \epsilon > 0$

$$\exists \delta_1 > 0 \text{ s.t. } \forall x, y \in [a, b], |x - y| < \delta_1 \implies |f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon \quad (1)$$

$$\exists \delta_2 > 0 \text{ s.t. } \forall x, y \in [b, c], |x - y| < \delta_2 \implies |f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon \quad (2)$$

Then there is  $\delta > 0$  s.t.  $\forall x, y \in [a, c], |x - y| < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$

*Proof.* Since  $f$  is continuous at  $b$ , there is a  $\delta_3 > 0$  such that,

$$|x - b| < \delta_3 \implies |f(x) - f(b)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

It follows that

$$|x - b| < \delta_3 \text{ and } |y - b| < \delta_3 \implies |f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$$

Now choose  $\delta$  to be the minimum of  $\delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3$ . Suppose  $x, y$  are any two points in  $[a, c]$  with  $|x - y| < \delta$ . If  $x, y \in [a, b]$ , then  $|f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$  by (1). If  $x, y \in [b, c]$ , then  $|f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$  by (2). Otherwise,  $x < b < y$  or  $y < b < x$ , and in either case, since  $|x - y| < \delta$ ,  $|x - b| < \delta$  and  $|y - b| < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$  by (3).  $\square$

**8.3. Theorem:** If  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , then  $f$  is uniformly continuous

*Proof.* tba  $\square$

## Chapter 2

# Derivatives

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## Section 1. Derivatives

**1.1. Definition:** The function  $f$  is **differentiable at a** if

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} \text{ exists}$$

The limit is denoted by  $f'(a)$  and is called the **derivative of  $f$  at  $a$** .

We define the **tangent line** to the graph of  $f$  at  $(a, f(a))$  to be the line through  $(a, f(a))$  with slope  $f'(a)$ .

**1.2. Theorem:** *If  $f$  is differentiable and  $a$ , then  $f$  is continuous at  $a$ .*

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(a+h) - f(a) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} \cdot h \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} \cdot \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h \\ &= f'(a) \cdot 0 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $f$  is continuous at  $a$  □

**1.3. Theorem:** *If  $f$  is a constant function,  $f(x) = c$ , then*

$$f'(a) = 0 \quad \forall a$$

*Proof.*

$$f'(a) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{c - c}{h} = 0$$

□

**1.4. Theorem:** *If  $f$  is the identity function,  $f(x) = x$ , then*

$$f'(a) = 1 \quad \forall a$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} f'(a) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{a+h-a}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h}{h} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

□

**1.5. Theorem:** If  $f$  and  $g$  are differentiable at  $a$ , then  $f + g$  is also differentiable at  $a$ , and

$$(f + g)'(a) = f'(a) + g'(a)$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} (f + g)'(a) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(f + g)(a + h) - (f + g)(a)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a + h) + g(a + h) - [f(a) + g(a)]}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[ \frac{f(a + h) - f(a)}{h} + \frac{g(a + h) - g(a)}{h} \right] \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a + h) - f(a)}{h} + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(a + h) - g(a)}{h} \\ &= f'(a) + g'(a) \end{aligned}$$

□

**1.6. Theorem:** If  $f$  and  $g$  are differentiable at  $a$ , then

$$(f \cdot g)'(a) = f'(a) \cdot g(a) + f(a) \cdot g'(a)$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} (f \cdot g)'(a) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(f \cdot g)(a + h) - (f \cdot g)(a)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a + h) \cdot g(a + h) - f(a)g(a)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a + h)[g(a + h) - g(a)]}{h} + \frac{[f(a + h) - f(a)]g(a)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(a + h) \cdot \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(a + h) - g(a)}{h} + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a + h) - f(a)}{h} \cdot \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} g(a) \\ &= f(a) \cdot g'(a) + f'(a) \cdot g(a) \end{aligned}$$

□

**1.7. Theorem:** If  $g(x) = cf(x)$  and  $f$  is differentiable at  $a$ , then  $g$  is differentiable at  $a$ , and

$$g'(a) = c \cdot f'(a)$$

*Proof.* Let  $h(x) = c$ , so  $g = h \cdot f$ , by last theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} g'(a) &= (h \cdot f)'(a) \\ &= g(a) \cdot f'(a) + h'(a) \cdot f(a) \\ &= c \cdot f'(a) + 0 \cdot f(a) \\ &= cf'(a) \end{aligned}$$

□



**1.8. Theorem:** If  $f(x) = x^n$  for some natural number  $n$ , then

$$f'(a) = na^{n-1} \quad \forall a$$

*Proof.* We prove by induction on  $n$ .  $n = 1$  is clearly true as proven above. Now assume that the theorem is true for  $n$ , so if  $f(x) = x^n$ , then  $f'(a) = na^{n-1}$ . We want to prove this is true for  $g(x) = x^{n+1}$ . Let  $I(x) = x$ , then the equation can be written as

$$g(x) = f(x) \cdot I(x)$$

By product rule,

$$\begin{aligned} g'(a) &= (f \cdot I)'(a) = f'(a) \cdot I(a) + f(a) \cdot I'(a) \\ &= na^{n-1} \cdot a + a^n \cdot 1 \\ &= na^n + a^n \cdot 1 \\ &= na^n + a^n \\ &= (n+1)a^n, \quad \forall a \end{aligned}$$

Which is exactly the formula for the case  $n+1$  □

**1.9. Note:** With this, we can find the derivative of any polynomial functions, for a polynomial with degree  $n$ ,

$$f^{(n)}(x) = n!a_n$$

and for  $k > n$ ,  $f^{(k)}(x) = 0$

**1.10. Theorem:** If  $g$  is differentiable at  $a$ , and  $g(a) \neq 0$ , then  $\frac{1}{g}$  is differentiable at  $a$ , and

$$\left(\frac{1}{g}\right)'(a) = \frac{-g'(a)}{[g(a)]^2}$$

*Proof.* As always, we have

$$\frac{\left(\frac{1}{g}\right)(a+h) - \left(\frac{1}{g}\right)(a)}{h}$$

For sufficiently small  $h$ , we have to verify that  $\left(\frac{1}{g}\right)(a+h)$  is defined. We know that  $g$  is differentiable at  $a$ , therefore  $g$  is continuous at  $a$ . And it follows from 6.6 that there is some  $\delta > 0$  such that  $g(a+h) \neq 0$  for  $|h| < \delta$ . So the equation does make sense for small enough  $h$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{g}\right)(a+h) - \left(\frac{1}{g}\right)(a)}{h} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{g(a+h)} - \frac{1}{g(a)}}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(a) - g(a+h)}{h[g(a) \cdot g(a+h)]} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-[g(a+h) - g(a)]}{h} \cdot \frac{1}{g(a)g(a+h)} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-[g(a+h) - g(a)]}{h} \cdot \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{g(a) \cdot g(a+h)} \end{aligned}$$

$$= -g'(a) \cdot \frac{1}{[g(a)]^2}.$$

□

**1.11. Theorem:** If  $f$  and  $g$  are differentiable at  $a$  and  $g(a) \neq 0$ , then  $f/g$  is differentiable at  $a$ , and

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

*Proof.* Since  $\frac{f}{g} = f \cdot \left(\frac{1}{g}\right)$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)'(a) &= \left(f \cdot \frac{1}{g}\right)'(a) \\ &= f'(a) \cdot \frac{1}{g}(a) + f(a) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{g}\right)'(a) \\ &= \frac{f'(a)}{g(a)} + \frac{f(a)(-g'(a))}{[g(a)]^2} \\ &= \frac{f'(a) \cdot g(a) - f(a) \cdot g'(a)}{[g(a)]^2} \end{aligned}$$

□

**1.12. Theorem:** If  $g$  is differentiable at  $a$ , and  $f$  is differentiable at  $g(a)$ , then  $f \circ g$  is differentiable at  $a$ , and

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

*Proof.* Later.

□

## Section 2. Significance of the Derivative

**2.1. Definition:** Let  $f$  be a function and  $A$  a set of numbers contained in the domain of  $f$ . A point  $x$  in  $A$  is a **maximum point** for  $f$  on  $A$  if

$$f(x) \geq f(y) \text{ for every } y \in A$$

The number  $f(x)$  itself is called the **maximum value** of  $f$  on  $A$  (and we also say that  $f$  has its maximum value on  $A$  at  $x$ )

**2.2. Remark:** Notice that a function  $f$  can have several different maximum points on  $A$ , however it can have at most one maximum value. We are typically interested in the case where  $A$  is a closed interval  $[a, b]$ , if  $f$  is continuous, then 7.8 guarantees that  $f$  does indeed have a maximum value on  $[a, b]$

**2.3. Theorem:** Let  $f$  be any function defined on  $(a, b)$ . If  $x$  is a maximum (or a minimum) point for  $f$  on  $(a, b)$ , and  $f$  is differentiable at  $x$ , then  $f'(x) = 0$ .

*Proof.* WLOG, consider the case where  $f$  has a maximum at  $x$ . If  $h$  is any number such that  $x + h$  is in  $(a, b)$ , then  $f(x) \geq f(x + h)$ , and thus  $f(x + h) - f(x) \leq 0$ . Thus if  $h > 0$  we have

$$\frac{f(x + h) - f(x)}{h} \leq 0$$

and consequently

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(x + h) - f(x)}{h} \leq 0$$

. On the other hand, if  $h < 0$ , we have

$$\frac{f(x + h) - f(x)}{h} \geq 0 \implies \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(x + h) - f(x)}{h} \geq 0$$

By our hypothesis,  $f$  is differentiable at  $x$  so these two limits must be equal each other, and in fact, equal to  $f'(x)$ . This means that

$$f'(x) \leq 0 \text{ and } f'(x) \geq 0$$

from which it follows that  $f'(x) = 0$ . □

**2.4. Definition:** Let  $f$  be a function, and  $A$  a set of numbers contained in the domain of  $f$ . A point  $x$  in  $A$  is a **local maximum [minimum] point** for  $f$  on  $A$  if there is some  $\delta > 0$  such that  $x$  is a maximum [minimum] point for  $f$  on  $A \cap (x - \delta, x + \delta)$ .

**2.5. Theorem:** If  $x$  is a local maximum or minimum for  $f$  on  $(a, b)$  and  $f$  is differentiable at  $x$ , then  $f'(x) = 0$

*Proof.* Trivial □

**2.6. Warning:** The converse of theorem 2 is obviously not true.

$f'(x) = 0$  does not imply that  $x$  is a local maximum or minimum point of  $f$

. Consider the simplest example  $f(x) = x^3$ , in this case  $f'(0) = 0$ , but  $f$  has no local maximum or minimum anywhere.

**2.7. Definition:** A **critical point** of a function  $f$  is a number  $x$  such that

$$f'(x) = 0.$$

The number  $f(x)$  itself is called a **critical value** of  $f$ .

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In order to locate the maximum and minimum of  $f$ , we have to consider three kinds of points:

- The critical points of  $f$  in  $[a, b]$
- The end points  $a$  and  $b$ .
- Points  $x$  in  $[a, b]$  such that  $f$  is not differentiable at  $x$ .

If  $x$  is the max/min on  $[a, b]$ , then it must be in one of the three classes listed above. For if  $x$  is not in the second or third group, then  $x$  is in  $(a, b)$  and  $f$  is differentiable at  $x$ , and by 2.3, this means that  $x$  is in the first group.

If there are many points in these three categories, it may be impossible to find the maximum and minimum of  $f$ . But when there are only a few critical points and a few points where  $f$  is not differentiable. We can simply find  $f(x)$  for each  $x$  satisfying  $f'(x) = 0$  or where  $f$  is not differentiable at  $x$ , and of course,  $f(a)$  and  $f(b)$ . The biggest of these will be the maximum value of  $f$ , and the smallest will be the minimum.

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**2.8. Theorem (Rolles Theorem):** *If  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and differentiable on  $(a, b)$ , and  $f(a) = f(b)$ , then there is a number  $x$  in  $(a, b)$  such that  $f'(x) = 0$ .*

*Proof.* It follows from the continuity on  $f$  on  $[a, b]$  that  $f$  has a maximum and a minimum value on  $[a, b]$ . Suppose first that the maximum value occurs at a point  $x$  in  $(a, b)$ . Then  $f'(x) = 0$  by 2.3, and we are done.

Suppose that the minimum value of  $f$  occurs at some point  $x$  in  $(a, b)$ . Then, again,  $f'(x) = 0$  by 2.3.

Finally, suppose the maximum and minimum values both occur at the end points. Since  $f(a) = f(b)$ , the maximum and minimum values of  $f$  are equal, so  $f$  is a constant function, and for a constant function we can choose any  $x$  in  $(a, b)$ .  $\square$

**2.9. Theorem (Mean Value Theorem):** *if  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and differentiable on  $(a, b)$ , then there is a number  $x$  in  $(a, b)$  such that*

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

*Proof.* Let

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

Clearly,  $h$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and differentiable on  $(a, b)$ , and

$$h(a) = f(a). \quad (2.1)$$

$$h(b) = f(b) - \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}(b - a) \quad (2.2)$$

$$= f(a). \quad (2.3)$$

Consequently, we may apply Rolle's Theorem to  $h$  and conclude that there is some  $x$  in  $(a, b)$  such that

$$0 = h'(x) = f'(x) - \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}.$$

so then

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

□

**2.10. Corollary:** *If  $f$  is defined on an interval and  $f'(x) = 0$  for all  $x$  in the interval, then  $f$  is constant on the interval.*

*Proof.* Let  $a$  and  $b$  be any two points in the interval with  $a \neq b$ . Then there is some  $x$  in  $(a, b)$  such that

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

But  $f'(x) = 0$  for all  $x$  in the interval, so

$$0 = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}.$$

and so  $f(a) = f(b)$ . Thus the value of  $f$  at any two points in the interval is the same, that is,  $f$  is constant on the interval. □

**2.11. Corollary:** *If  $f$  and  $g$  are defined on the same interval, and  $f'(x) = g'(x)$  for all  $x$  in the interval, then there is some number  $c$  such that  $f = g + c$ .*

*Proof.* For all  $x$  in the interval we have  $(f - g)'(x) = f'(x) - g'(x) = 0$ , and by last corollary, there exist a number  $c$  such that  $f - g = c$  □

**2.12. Definition:** A function is **increasing** on an interval if  $f(a) < f(b)$  whenever  $a$  and  $b$  are two numbers in the interval with  $a < b$ . The function  $f$  is **decreasing** on an interval if  $f(a) > f(b)$  for all  $a$  and  $b$  in the interval with  $a < b$ .

**2.13. Corollary:** If  $f'(x) > 0$  for all  $x$  in an interval, then  $f$  is increasing on the interval; if  $f'(x) < 0$  for all  $x$  in the interval, then  $f$  is decreasing on the interval.

*Proof.* WLOG, consider the case where  $f'(x) > 0$ . Let  $a$  and  $b$  be two points in the interval with  $a < b$ . Then there is some  $x$  in  $(a, b)$  with

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

But  $f'(x) > 0$  for all  $x$  in  $(a, b)$ , so

$$\frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} > 0$$

Since  $b - a > 0$  it follows that  $f(b) > f(a)$ . An analogous proof can be given when  $f'(x) < 0$  for all  $x$ .  $\square$

**2.14. Theorem:** Suppose  $f'(a) = 0$ . If  $f''(a) > 0$ , then  $f$  has a local minimum at  $a$ ; if  $f''(a) < 0$ , then  $f$  has a local maximum at  $a$ .

*Proof.* By definition,

$$f''(a) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f'(a+h) - f'(a)}{h}.$$

Since  $f'(a) = 0$ , this can be written

$$f''(a) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f'(a+h)}{h}$$

Suppose now that  $f''(a) > 0$ . Then  $\frac{f'(a+h)}{h}$  must be positive for sufficiently small  $h$ . Therefore,  $f'(a+h)$  must be positive for sufficiently small  $h > 0$  and  $f'(a+h)$  must be negative for sufficiently small  $h < 0$ . By 2.13,  $f$  is increasing in some interval to the right of  $a$  and decreasing in some interval to the left of  $a$ . Thus  $f$  has a local minimum at  $a$ . The proof for the case  $f''(a) < 0$  is similar.  $\square$

**2.15. Theorem:** Suppose  $f''(a)$  exists. If  $f$  has a local minimum at  $a$ , then  $f''(a) \geq 0$ ; if  $f$  has a local maximum at  $a$ , then  $f''(a) \leq 0$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $f$  has a local minimum at  $a$ . If  $f''(a) < 0$ , then  $f$  would also have a local maximum at  $a$ , by the last theorem. Then  $f$  would be constant in some interval containing  $a$ , so that  $f''(a) = 0$ , a contradiction. Thus we must have  $f''(a) \geq 0$ . The case of a local maximum is handled similarly.  $\square$

**2.16. Remark:** Note that 2.15 is only a partial converse of 2.14, that is, the  $\geq$  and  $\leq$  cannot be replaced by  $>$  and  $<$ .

**2.17. Theorem:** Suppose that  $f$  is continuous at  $a$ , and that  $f'(x)$  exists for all  $x$  in some interval containing  $a$ , except perhaps for  $x = a$ . Suppose, moreover, that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f'(x)$  exists. Then  $f'(a)$  also exists, and

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

*Proof.* By definition,

$$f'(a) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}.$$

For sufficiently small  $h > 0$  the function  $f$  will be continuous on  $[a, a+h]$  and differentiable on  $(a, a+h)$  (a similar assertion holds for sufficiently small  $h < 0$ ). by MVT there is a number  $\alpha_h$  in  $(a, a+h)$  such that

$$\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = f'(\alpha_h).$$

Now  $\alpha_h$  approaches  $a$  as  $h$  approaches 0, because  $\alpha_h$  is in  $(a, a+h)$ ; since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f'(x)$  exists, it follows that

$$f'(a) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f'(\alpha_h) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f'(x).$$

□

**2.18. Remark:** By the theorem above, the graph of  $f'$  can never exhibit a removable discontinuity.

**2.19. Theorem (The Cauchy MVT):** If  $f$  and  $g$  are continuous on  $[a, b]$  and differentiable on  $(a, b)$ , then there is a number  $x$  in  $(a, b)$  such that

$$[f(b) - f(a)]g'(x) = [g(b) - g(a)]f'(x).$$

If  $g(b) \neq g(a)$ , and  $g'(x) \neq 0$ , this equation can be written as

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

**2.20. Remark:** Notice that if  $g(x) = x$  for all  $x$ , then  $g'(x) = 1$ , and we obtain MVT. On the other hands, applying MVT to  $f$  and  $g$  separately, we find that there are  $x$  and  $y$  in  $(a, b)$  with

$$\frac{f(b) - f(a)}{g(b) - g(a)} = \frac{f'(x)}{g'(y)}.$$

however there is no guarantee that the  $x$  and  $y$  found in this way will be equal.

*Proof.* Let

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

Then  $h$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , differentiable on  $(a, b)$ , and

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

It follows from Rolle's Theorems that  $h'(x) = 0$  for some  $x$  in  $(a, b)$ , which means that

$$0 = f'(x)[g(b) - g(a)] - g'(x)[f(b) - f(a)].$$

Rearrange and we get the desired equation. □

**2.21. Theorem (L'Hopital's Rule):** Suppose that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = 0$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = 0$  and suppose also that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$$

exists. Then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$  exists, and

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

*Proof.* The hypothesis that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$  exists contains two implicit assumptions:

- (1). there is an interval  $(a - \delta, a + \delta)$  such that  $f'(x)$  and  $g'(x)$  exist for all  $x$  in  $(a - \delta, a + \delta)$  except, perhaps, for  $x = a$ ,
- (2). in this interval  $g'(x) \neq 0$  with the possible exception of  $x = a$

Let  $f(a) = g(a) = 0$ , then  $f$  and  $g$  are continuous at  $a$ . If  $a < x < a + \delta$ , then MVT and Cauchy MVT apply to  $f$  and  $g$  on the interval  $[a, x]$  (and a similar statement holds for  $a - \delta < x < a$ ). First applying MVT to  $g$ , we see that  $g(x) \neq 0$ , for if  $g(x) = 0$  there would be some  $x_1$  in  $(a, x)$  with  $g'(x_1) = 0$ , contradicting (2). Now applying the Cauchy MVT to  $f$  and  $g$ , we see that there is a number  $\alpha_x$  in  $(a, x)$  such that

$$[f(x) - 0]g'(\alpha_x) = [g(x) - 0]f'(\alpha_x)$$

or since  $g'(\alpha_x) \neq 0$ ,

$$\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{f'(\alpha_x)}{g'(\alpha_x)}.$$

Now  $\alpha_x$  approaches  $a$  as  $x$  approaches  $a$ , because  $\alpha_x$  is in  $(a, x)$ ; since we are assuming that



$\lim_{y \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(y)}{g'(y)}$  exists, it follows that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(\alpha_x)}{g'(\alpha_x)} = \lim_{y \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(y)}{g'(y)}.$$

**Alternate  $\delta - \epsilon$  proof:**

Since we know  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$  exists, let  $L$  be our limit. then

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0, \text{ s.t. } |a - x| < \delta \implies \left| L - \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} \right| < \epsilon.$$

But  $|\alpha_x - a| < |a - x| < \delta$ , so for each  $\epsilon$  we can use the same  $\delta$  to see that

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

As required. □

**2.22. Definition:** A function  $f$  is **convex** on an interval, if for all  $a$  and  $b$  in the interval, the line segment joining  $(a, f(a))$  and  $(b, f(b))$  lies above the graph of  $f$ .

**2.23. Note:** Sometimes, an analytic definition might be more useful. The straight line between  $(a, f(a))$  and  $(b, f(b))$  is the graph of the function  $g$  defined by

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

For this line to lie above the graph of  $f$  is just

$$\frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}(x - a) + f(a) > f(x)$$

or

$$\frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}(x - a) > f(x) - f(a)$$

or

$$\frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} > \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a}.$$

Therefore, we have an equivalent definition of convexity.

**2.24. Definition:** A function  $f$  is **convex** on an interval if for  $a, x$ , and  $b$  in the interval with  $a < x < b$  we have

$$\frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} < \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}.$$

**2.25. Definition:** If the inequality in the last definition is replaced by

$$\frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} < \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}.$$

Then we obtain the definition of a **concave function**

**2.26. Remark:** All concave functions are precisely the ones of the form  $-f$ , where  $f$  is convex. So for all theorem below about convex function have immediate corollaries about concave functions as well.

**2.27. Theorem:** Let  $f$  be convex. If  $f$  is differentiable at  $a$ , then the graph of  $f$  lies above the tangent line through  $(a, f(a))$ , except at  $(a, f(a))$  it self. If  $a < b$  and  $f$  is differentiable at  $a$  and  $b$ , then  $f'(a) < f'(b)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $0 < h_1 < h_2$ , then using 2.24 on  $a < a + h_1 < a + h_2$ , we get

$$\frac{f(a + h_1) - f(a)}{h_1} < \frac{f(a + h_2) - f(a)}{h_2}$$

This inequality shows that the values of  $\frac{f(a+h)-f(a)}{h}$  decreasing as  $h \rightarrow 0^+$ . Consequently,

$$f'(a) < \frac{f(a + h) - f(a)}{h} \text{ for } h > 0$$

Which means that for  $h > 0$ , the secant line through  $(a, f(a))$  and  $(a + h, f(a + h))$  has a larger slope than the tangent line, which implies that  $(a + h, f(a + h))$  lies above the tangent line. An analogous argument can be used for negative  $h$ . Let  $h_2 < h_1 < 0$ , then

$$\frac{f(a + h_1) - f(a)}{h_1} > \frac{f(a + h_2) - f(a)}{h_2}$$

Which shows that the slope of the tangent line through  $(a, f(a))$  is greater than

$$\frac{f(a + h) - f(a)}{h} \text{ for } h < 0$$

Therefore,  $f(a + h)$  lies above the tangent line for  $h < 0$  as well, proving the first part of the theorem.

Now suppose that  $a < b$ , then, from the last part,

$$f'(a) < \frac{f(a + (b - a)) - f(a)}{b - a} = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} \quad \text{since } h = b - a > 0$$

and

$$f'(b) > \frac{f(b + (a - b)) - f(b)}{a - b} = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} \quad \text{since } h = a - b > 0.$$

Combing the inequalities gives us  $f'(a) < f'(b)$ . □

**2.28. Note:** This theorem has two converse, to make our proofs easier, we will first prove a lemma which says if  $f'$  is increasing, then the graph of  $f$  lies below any secant line which happens to be horizontal.

**2.29. Lemma:** Suppose  $f$  is differentiable and  $f'$  is increasing. If  $a < b$  and  $f(a) = f(b)$ , then  $f(x) < f(a) = f(b)$  for  $a < x < b$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $f(x) \geq f(a) = f(b)$  for some  $x$  in  $(a, b)$ . Then the maximum of  $f$  on  $[a, b]$  occurs at some point  $x_0$  in  $(a, b)$  with  $f(x_0) \geq f(a)$  and  $f'(x_0) = 0$ . On the other hand, applying the Mean Value Theorem to the interval  $[a, x_0]$ , we find that there is  $x_1$  with  $a < x_1 < x_0$  and

$$f'(x_1) = \frac{f(x_0) - f(a)}{x_0 - a} \geq 0.$$

Contradicting the fact that  $f'$  is increasing. □

**2.30. Theorem:** If  $f$  is differentiable and  $f'$  is increasing, then  $f$  is convex.

*Proof.* Let  $a < b$ . Define  $g$  by

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

It is obvious that  $g'$  is also increasing, moreover,  $g(a) = g(b) = f(a)$ , applying our lemma to  $g$  we conclude that

$$g(x) < f(a) \text{ if } a < x < b$$

In other words, if  $a < x < b$ , then

$$f(x) - \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}(x - a) < f(a)$$

or

$$\frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} < \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}.$$

Hence  $f$  is convex. □

**2.31. Theorem:** If  $f$  is differentiable and the graph of  $f$  lies above each tangent line except at the point of contact, then  $f$  is convex.

*Proof.* Let  $a < b$ . The tangent line at  $(a, f(a))$  is the graph of the function

$$g(x) = f'(a)(x - a) + f(a).$$

and since  $(b, f(b))$  lies above the tangent line, we have

$$f(b) > f'(a)(b - a) + f(a).$$

Similarly, since the tangent line at  $(b, f(b))$  is the graph of

$$h(x) = f'(b)(x - b) + f(b),$$

and  $(a, f(a))$  lies above the tangent line at  $(b, f(b))$ , we have

$$f(a) > f'(b)(a - b) + f(b).$$

It then follows from the two inequality that  $f'(a) < f'(b)$ , and by last theorem,  $f$  is convex. □

**2.32. Theorem:** *If  $f$  is differentiable on an interval and intersects each of its tangent lines just once, then  $f$  is either convex or concave on that interval.*

*Proof.* This proof is split in two parts:

(1) First we claim that no straight line can intersect the graph of  $f$  in three different points. Suppose not, and that some straight line did intersect the graph of  $f$  at  $(a, f(a))$ ,  $(b, f(b))$ , and  $(c, f(c))$ , with  $a < b < c$ . Then we would have

$$\frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} = \frac{f(c) - f(a)}{c - a}. \quad (2.4)$$

Consider the function

$$g(x) = \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} \text{ for } x \text{ in } [b, c].$$

Equation (2.4) says that  $g(b) = g(c)$ , so by Rolle's Theorem, there exist a number  $x$  in  $(b, c)$  where  $0 = g'(x)$ , and thus

$$0 = (x - a)f'(x) - [f(x) - f(a)]$$

or

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

But this says that the tangent line at  $(x, f(x))$  passes through  $(a, f(a))$ , contradicting the hypotheses.

(2) Suppose that  $a_0 < b_0 < c_0$  and  $a_1 < b_1 < c_1$  are points in the interval. Let

$$x_t = (1 - t)a_0 + ta_1 \quad (2.5)$$

$$y_t = (1 - t)b_0 + tb_1 \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1. \quad (2.6)$$

$$z_t = (1 - t)c_0 + tc_1 \quad (2.7)$$

Then  $x_0 = a_0$  and  $x_1 = a_1$  and the points  $x_t$  all lie between  $a_0$  and  $a_1$ , with analogous statements for  $y_t$  and  $z_t$ . Moreover,  $x_t < y_t < z_t$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ .

Now consider the function

$$g(t) = \frac{f(y_t) - f(x_1)}{y_t - x_t} - \frac{f(z_t) - f(x_t)}{z_t - x_t} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 1.$$

By step 1,  $g(t) \neq 0$  for all  $t$  in  $[0, 1]$ . So either  $g(t) > 0$  for all  $t$  in  $[0, 1]$  or  $g(t) < 0$  for all  $t$  in  $[0, 1]$ . Thus, either  $f$  is convex or concave.  $\square$

## Chapter 3

# Inverse Functions

**2.33. Definition:** A function  $f$  is **one-one** if  $f(a) \neq f(b)$  whenever  $a \neq b$

**2.34. Definition:** For any function  $f$ , the **inverse** of  $f$ , denoted by  $f^{-1}$ , is the set of all pairs  $(a, b)$  for which the pairs  $(b, a)$  is in  $f$ .

**2.35. Theorem:**  $f^{-1}$  is a function if and only if  $f$  is one-one

*Proof.* Suppose first that  $f$  is one-one. Let  $(a, b)$  and  $(a, c)$  be two pairs in  $f^{-1}$ . Then  $(b, a)$  and  $(c, a)$  are in  $f$ , so  $a = f(b)$  and  $a = f(c)$ . Since  $f$  is one-one this implies that  $b = c$ . Thus  $f^{-1}$  is a function.

Conversely, suppose that  $f^{-1}$  is a function. If  $f(b) = f(c)$ , then  $f$  contains the pairs  $(b, f(b))$  and  $(c, f(c)) = (c, f(b))$ , so  $(f(b), b)$  and  $(f(b), c)$  are in  $f^{-1}$ . Since  $f^{-1}$  is a function this implies that  $b = c$ . Thus  $f$  is one-one  $\square$

**2.36. Remark:** Some important things to remember about inverse functions:

- $(f^{-1} \circ f)(a) = a$
- $(f \circ f^{-1})(a) = a$
- $f$  and  $f^{-1}$  are reflected through the line  $f(x) = x$
- if  $f$  is increasing then  $f^{-1}$  is also increasing
- if  $f$  is decreasing then  $f^{-1}$  is also decreasing
- if  $f$  is one-to-one, then  $\text{codom}(f) = \text{dom}(f^{-1})$  and  $\text{codom}(f^{-1}) = \text{dom}(f)$

**2.37. Theorem:** If  $f$  is continuous and one-one on an interval, then  $f$  is either increasing or decreasing on that interval.

*Proof.* (1) If  $a < b < c$  are three points in the interval, then either (i)  $f(a) < f(b) < f(c)$  or (ii)  $f(a) > f(b) > f(c)$ . If not, for example, that  $f(a) < f(c)$ . If we had  $f(b) < f(a)$ , then by IVT applied to the interval  $[b, c]$  would give an  $x$  with  $b < x < c$  and  $f(x) = f(a)$ . contradicting

the fact that  $f$  is one-one on  $[a, c]$ . Similarly,  $f(b) > f(c)$  would lead to a contradiction, so  $f(a) < f(b) < f(c)$ .

(2) If  $a < b < c < d$  are four points in the interval, then  $f(a) < f(b) < f(c) < f(d)$  or  $f(a) > f(b) > f(c) > f(d)$  if we just apply (1) to  $a < b < c$  and  $b < c < d$ .

(3) Now take any  $a < b$  in the interval, and suppose that  $f(a) < f(b)$ . Then  $f$  is increasing, for if  $c$  and  $d$  are any two points, we can apply (2) to the collection of  $\{a, b, c, d\}$ .  $\square$

**2.38. Remark:** Suppose  $f$  is continuous and one-one on  $I = [a, b]$ , then  $\text{dom}(f) = [a, b]$  and  $\text{codom}(f) = [f(a), f(b)]$  if  $f$  is increasing, and  $\text{codom}(f) = [f(b), f(a)]$  if  $f$  is decreasing.

If the domain of  $f$  is an open interval, thus having one of the forms  $(a, b)$ ,  $(-\infty, b)$ ,  $(a, \infty)$ , or  $\mathbb{R}$ , then the codomain of  $f$  (domain of  $f^{-1}$ ) will also have one of these forms

**2.39. Theorem:** *If  $f$  is continuous and one-one on an interval, then  $f^{-1}$  is also continuous.*

*Proof.* We know by the last theorem that  $f$  is either increasing or decreasing. So WLOG, let's assume that  $f$  is increasing, since we can just take care of the other case by just considering  $-f$ . Let's also assume that our interval is open, since any continuous one-one function on any interval can be extended to one on a larger open interval. To show continuity, we must show that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow b} f^{-1}(x) = f^{-1}(b)$  for each  $b$  in the domain of  $f^{-1}$ . Such a number  $b$  is of the form  $f(a)$  for some  $a$  in the domain of  $f$ , and  $f^{-1}(b) = a$ . For all  $\epsilon > 0$ , we want to find a  $\delta > 0$  such that, for all  $x$ ,

$$\text{if } f(a) - \delta < x < f(a) + \delta, \text{ then } a - \epsilon < f^{-1}(x) < a + \epsilon.$$

Since  $a - \epsilon < a < a + \epsilon$ , it follows that

$$f(a - \epsilon) < f(a) < f(a + \epsilon)$$

since  $a - \epsilon < a < a + \epsilon$ , it follows that  $f(a - \epsilon) < f(a) < f(a + \epsilon)$ ; we let  $\delta$  be the smaller of  $f(a + \epsilon) - f(a)$  and  $f(a) - f(a - \epsilon)$ . Our choice of  $\delta$  ensures that

$$f(a - \epsilon) \leq f(a) - \delta \quad \text{and} \quad f(a) + \delta \leq f(a + \epsilon).$$

consequently, if

$$f(a) - \delta < x < f(a) + \delta.$$

then

$$f(a - \epsilon) < x < f(a + \epsilon).$$

Since  $f$  is increasing,  $f^{-1}$  is also increasing, and we obtain

$$f^{-1}(f(a - \epsilon)) < f^{-1}(x) < f^{-1}(f(a + \epsilon))$$

which is

$$a - \epsilon < f^{-1}(x) < a + \epsilon.$$

which is precisely what we want.  $\square$

**2.40. Theorem:** If  $f$  is a continuous one-one function defined on an interval and  $f'(f^{-1}(a)) = 0$ , then  $f^{-1}$  is not differentiable at  $a$ .

*Proof.* We have

$$f(f^{-1}(x)) = x.$$

If  $f^{-1}$  were differentiable at  $a$ , the Chain Rule would imply that

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

hence

$$0 \cdot (f^{-1})'(a) = 1$$

which is impossible. □

**2.41. Theorem:** Let  $f$  be a continuous one-one function defined on an interval, and suppose that  $f$  is differentiable at  $f^{-1}(b)$ , with derivative  $f'(f^{-1}(b)) \neq 0$ . Then  $f^{-1}$  is differentiable at  $b$ , and

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

*Proof.* Let  $b = f(a)$ . Then

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f^{-1}(b+h) - f^{-1}(b)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f^{-1}(b+h) - a}{h}$$

Every number  $b+h$  in the domain of  $f^{-1}$  can be written in the form

$$b+h = f(a+k)$$

for a unique  $k$ , then

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f^{-1}(b+h) - a}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f^{-1}(f(a+k)) - a}{f(a+k) - b} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{k}{f(a+k) - f(a)} \quad (1).$$

Now since  $b+h = f(a+k)$ , then  $f^{-1}(b+h) = a+k$  or  $k = f^{-1}(b+h) - f^{-1}(b)$ . By the last theorem, the function  $f^{-1}$  is continuous at  $b$ . since  $k$  is a function of  $h$ , this means that  $k$  approaches 0 as  $h$  approaches 0. Since

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+k) - f(a)}{k} = f'(a) = f'(f^{-1}(b)) \neq 0,$$

this implies that

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

By plugging in the inverse to (1) □

*Epsilon-delta approach.* We can also instead use  $\epsilon - \delta$ , knowing that  $f$  is differentiable at  $f^{-1}(b) = a$ , then

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta_1, \text{ s.t.}, 0 < |k| < \delta_1 \implies \left| \frac{f(a+k) - f(a)}{k} - f'(a) \right| < \epsilon$$

and since  $f^{-1}$  is also continuous at  $b$  by the last theorem, we have

$$\forall \delta_1 > 0, \exists \delta_2 > 0, \text{ s.t.} 0 < |h| < \delta \implies |f^{-1}(b+h) - f^{-1}(b)| < \delta_1$$

Take  $k = f^{-1}(b+h) - f^{-1}(b)$  and connect the two  $\epsilon - \delta$ ,

$$0 < |h| < \delta_2 \implies 0 < |k| < \delta_1 \implies \left| \frac{f(a+k) - f(a)}{k} - f'(a) \right| < \epsilon$$

That is, as  $h$  approaches 0, the derivative at  $a$  is  $f'(a) = f'(f^{-1}(b))$ .

This means, let  $g = f^{-1}$ , then  $g'(x) = \frac{1}{f'(g(x))}$

□



## Chapter 4

# Integrals

**2.42. Definition:** Let  $a < b$ , a **partition** of the interval  $[a, b]$  is a finite collection of points in  $[a, b]$ , one of which is  $a$ , and one of which is  $b$ .

**2.43. Definition:** Suppose  $f$  is bounded on  $[a, b]$  and  $P = \{t_0, \dots, t_n\}$  is a partition of  $[a, b]$ . Let

$$m_i = \inf\{f(x) : t_{i-1} \leq x \leq t_i\}.$$

$$M_i = \sup\{f(x) : t_{i-1} \leq x \leq t_i\}.$$

The **lower sum** of  $f$  for  $P$ , denoted by  $L(f, P)$ , is defined as

$$L(f, P) = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i(t_i - t_{i-1}).$$

The **upper sum** of  $f$  for  $P$ , denoted by  $U(f, P)$ , is defined as

$$U(f, P) = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i(t_i - t_{i-1}).$$

**2.44. Remark:** The following lemma is a very important lemma which says, that more points in a partition  $P$  result in a better approximation of the region  $R(f, a, b)$ .

**2.45. Lemma:** If  $Q$  contains  $P$ , then

$$L(f, P) \leq L(f, Q),$$

$$U(f, P) \geq U(f, Q).$$

*Proof.* Consider first the special case in which  $Q$  contains just one more point than  $P$ :

$$P = \{t_0, \dots, t_n\}$$

$$Q = \{t_0, \dots, t_{k-1}, u, t_k, \dots, t_n\}.$$

where  $a = t_0 < t_1 < \cdots < t_{k-1} < u < t_k < \cdots < t_n = b$ . Let

$$m' = \inf\{f(x) : t_{k-1} \leq x \leq u\}, \quad (4.1)$$

$$m'' = \inf\{f(x) : u \leq x \leq t_k\}. \quad (4.2)$$

Then

$$L(f, P) = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i(t_i - t_{i-1}),$$

$$L(f, Q) = \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} m_i(t_i - t_{i-1}) + m'(n - t_{k-1}) + m''(t_k - u) + \sum_{i=k+1}^n m_i(t_i - t_{i-1})$$

To prove that  $L(f, P) \leq L(f, Q)$  it therefore suffices to show that

$$m_k(t_k - t_{k-1}) \leq m'(n - t_{k-1}) + m''(t_k - u)$$

Now the set  $\{f(x) : t_{k-1} \leq x \leq t_k\}$  contains all the numbers in  $\{f(x); t_{k-1} \leq x \leq u\}$ , and possibly some smaller ones, so the infimum of the first set is *less than or equal to* the infimum of the second, thus

$$m_k \leq m'.$$

Similarly,

$$m_k \leq m''.$$

Therefore,

$$m_k(t_k - t_{k-1}) = m_k(u - t_{k-1}) + m_k(t_k - u) \leq m'(u - t_{k-1}) + m''(t_k - u).$$

This proves, in the special case, that  $L(f, P) \leq L(f, Q)$ . An analogous proof can be given to show that  $U(f, P) \geq U(f, Q)$ . The general case can now be easily deduced. The partition  $Q$  can be obtained from  $P$  by adding one point at a time, that is, there is a sequence of partitions

$$P = P_1, P_2, \dots, P_\alpha = Q$$

such that  $P_{k+1}$  contains just one more point than  $P_j$ . Then

$$L(f, P) = L(f, P_1) \leq L(f, P_2) \leq \cdots \leq L(f, P_\alpha) = L(f, Q).$$

and

$$U(f, P) = U(f, P_1) \geq U(f, P_2) \geq \cdots \geq U(f, P_\alpha) = U(f, Q).$$

□

**2.46. Theorem:** Let  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  be partitions of  $[a, b]$ , and let  $f$  be a function which is founded on  $[a, b]$ . Then

$$L(f, P_1) \leq U(f, P_2).$$

*Proof.* There is a partition  $P$  which contains both  $P_1$  and  $P_2$ . According to the lemma,

$$L(f, P_1) \leq L(f, P) \leq U(f, P) \leq U(f, P_2)$$

□

**2.47. Remark:** It follows from the theorem that any upper sum  $U(f, P')$  is an upper bound for the set of all lower sums  $L(f, P)$ . Consequently, any upper sum  $U(f, P')$  is greater than or equal to the least upper bound of all lower sums:

$$\sup\{L(f, P) : P \text{ a partition of } [a, b]\} \leq U(f, P'),$$

for every  $P'$ . This, in turn, also means that  $\sup\{L(f, P)\}$  is a lower bound for the set of all upper sums of  $f$ . Consequently,

$$\sup\{L(f, P)\} \leq \inf\{U(f, P)\}.$$

**2.48. Definition:** A function  $f$  which is bounded on  $[a, b]$  is **integrable** on  $[a, b]$  if

$$\sup\{L(f, P) : P \text{ a partition of } [a, b]\} = \inf\{U(f, P) : P \text{ a partition of } [a, b]\}$$

In this case, the common number is called the **integral** of  $f$  on  $[a, b]$  and is denoted by

$$\int_a^b f.$$

**2.49. Theorem:** If  $f$  is bounded on  $[a, b]$ , then  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$  if and only if for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there is a partition  $P$  of  $[a, b]$  such that

$$U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \epsilon$$

*Proof.* Suppose first that for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there is a partition  $P$  with

$$U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \epsilon.$$

Since

$$\inf\{U(f, P')\} \leq U(f, P),$$

$$\sup\{L(f, P')\} \geq L(f, P),$$

it follows that

$$\inf\{U(f, P')\} - \sup\{L(f, P')\} < \epsilon.$$

it follows that

$$\inf\{U(f, P')\} - \sup\{L(f, P')\} < \epsilon.$$

Since this is true for all  $\epsilon > 0$ , it follows that

$$\sup\{L(f, P')\} = \inf\{U(f, P')\};$$

by definition, then,  $f$  is integrable. The proof of the converse assertion is similar: If  $f$  is integrable, then

$$\sup\{L(f, P)\} = \inf\{U(f, P)\}$$

This means that for each  $\epsilon > 0$  there are partitions  $P', P''$  with

$$U(f, P'') - L(f, P') < \epsilon$$

Let  $P$  be a partition which contains both  $P'$  and  $P''$ . Then, according to the lemma,

$$U(f, P) \leq U(f, P''),$$

$$L(f, P) \geq L(f, P');$$

consequently,

$$U(f, P) - L(f, P) \leq U(f, P'') - L(f, P') < \epsilon$$

□

**2.50. Theorem:** *If  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , then  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , it must be bounded on  $[a, b]$ . To show that  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$ , we have to use the theorem 2.49 and show that for all  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exist a partition  $P$  of  $[a, b]$  such that

$$U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \epsilon$$

As proved in Chapter 8,  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  if and only if  $f$  is uniformly continuous on  $[a, b]$ . Thus there is some  $\delta$  such that for all  $x, y \in [a, b]$

$$|x - y| < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(y)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2(b - a)}$$

Now the trick is to choose a partition  $P = \{t_0, \dots, t_n\}$  such that each  $|t_i - t_{i-1}| < \delta$ , then for each  $i$  we have

$$|f(x) - f(y)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2(b - a)} \text{ for all } x, y \in [t_{i-1}, t_i]$$

it follows easily that

$$M_i - m_i \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2(b - a)} < \frac{\epsilon}{b - a}.$$

Since this is true for all  $i$ , we have

$$U(f, P) - L(f, P) = \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i - m_i)(t_i - t_{i-1}) \tag{4.3}$$

$$< \frac{\epsilon}{b - a} \sum_{i=1}^n t_i - t_{i-1} \tag{4.4}$$

$$= \frac{\epsilon}{b - a} \cdot b - a \tag{4.5}$$

$$= \epsilon. \tag{4.6}$$

as required. □

**2.51. Theorem:** Let  $a < c < b$ . If  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$ , then  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, c]$  and  $[c, b]$ . Conversely, if  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, c]$  and on  $[c, b]$  then  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$ . Finally, if  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$ , then

$$\int_a^b f = \int_a^c f + \int_c^b f.$$

*Proof.* Suppose  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$ , then for all  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a partition  $P = \{t_0, \dots, t_n\}$  of  $[a, b]$  such that

$$U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \epsilon$$

Lets assume that  $c = t_j$  for some  $j$ . (Otherwise, let  $Q$  be the partition which contains  $t_0, \dots, t_j$  and  $c$ , then  $Q$  contains  $P$ , and  $U(f, Q) - L(f, Q) \leq U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \epsilon$ .)

Now  $P' = \{t_0, \dots, t_j\}$  is a partition of  $[a, c]$  and  $P'' = \{t_j, \dots, t_n\}$  is a partition of  $[c, b]$ . Since

$$\begin{aligned} L(f, P) &= L(f, P') + L(f, P''). \\ U(f, P) &= U(f, P') + U(f, P''). \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$[U(f, P') - L(f, P')] + [U(f, P'') - L(f, P'')] = U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \epsilon.$$

Since each square bracket is nonnegative, they are each less than  $\epsilon$ . This shows that  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, c]$  and  $[c, b]$ , note also that

$$L(f, P') \leq \int_a^c f \leq U(f, P')$$

$$L(f, P'') \leq \int_c^b f \leq U(f, P'')$$

so that

$$L(f, P) \leq \int_a^c f + \int_c^b f \leq U(f, P).$$

Since this is true for any  $P$ , this proves that

$$\int_a^c f + \int_c^b f = \int_a^b f.$$

Now to prove the converse, suppose that  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, c]$  and on  $[c, b]$ . If  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a partition  $P'$  of  $[a, c]$  and a partition  $P''$  of  $[c, b]$  such that

$$U(f, P') - L(f, P') < \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$$

$$U(f, P'') - L(f, P'') < \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$$

If  $P$  is the partition of  $[a, b]$  containing all the points of  $P'$  and  $P''$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} L(f, P) &= L(f, P') + L(f, P''), \\ U(f, P) &= U(f, P') + U(f, P''). \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$U(f, P) - L(f, P) = [U(f, P') - L(f, P')] + [U(f, P'') - L(f, P'')] < \epsilon.$$

□

**2.52. Remark:** With this, we can now add the definition

$$\int_a^a f = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \int_a^b f = - \int_b^a f \quad \text{if } a > b.$$

**2.53. Theorem:** If  $f$  and  $g$  are integrable on  $[a, b]$ , then  $f + g$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$  and

$$\int_a^b (f + g) = \int_a^b f + \int_a^b g.$$

*Proof.* Let  $P = \{t_0, \dots, t_n\}$  be any partition of  $[a, b]$ . Let

$$\begin{aligned} m_i &= \inf\{(f + g)(x) : t_{i-1} \leq x \leq t_i\}, \\ m'_i &= \inf\{f(x) : t_{i-1} \leq x \leq t_i\}, \\ m''_i &= \inf\{g(x) : t_{i-1} \leq x \leq t_i\}, \end{aligned}$$

and define  $M_i, M'_i, M''_i$  similarly. Then

$$m_i \geq m'_i + m''_i \quad \text{and} \quad M_i \leq M'_i + M''_i$$

Therefore,

$$L(f, P) + L(g, P) \leq L(f + g, P).$$

and

$$U(f + g, P) \leq U(f, P) + U(g, P).$$

Thus,

$$L(f, P) + L(g, P) \leq L(f + g, P) \leq U(f + g, P) \leq U(f, P) + U(g, P).$$

Since  $f$  and  $g$  are integrable, there are partitions  $P', P''$  with

$$U(f, P') - L(f, P') < \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$$

$$U(g, P'') - L(g, P'') < \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$$

If  $P$  contains both  $P'$  and  $P''$ , then

$$U(f, P) + U(g, P) - [L(f, P) + L(g, P)] < \epsilon,$$

and consequently

$$U(f + g, P) - L(f + g, P) < \epsilon.$$

This proves that  $f + g$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$ . Moreover,

(1).

$$\begin{aligned}L(f, P) + L(g, P) &\leq L(f + g, P) \\ &\leq \int_a^b (f + g) \\ &\leq U(f + g, P) \leq U(f, P) + U(g, P);\end{aligned}$$

(2).

$$L(f, P) + L(g, P) \leq \int_a^b f + \int_a^b g \leq U(f, P) + U(g, P).$$

Since  $U(f, P) - L(f, P)$  and  $U(g, P) - L(g, P)$  can both be made as small as desired, it follows that

$$U(f, P) + U(g, P) - [L(f, P) + L(g, P)]$$

can also be made as small as desired; it therefore follows from (1) and (2) that

$$\int_a^b (f + g) = \int_a^b f + \int_a^b g.$$

□

**2.54. Theorem:** *If  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$ , then for any number  $c$ , the function  $cf$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$  and*

$$\int_a^b cf = c \cdot \int_a^b f.$$

*Proof.* Since  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$ , then for all  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a partition  $P = \{t_0, \dots, t_n\}$  such that  $U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \epsilon$ . Let

$$cm_i = \inf\{cf(x) : t_{i-1} \leq x \leq t_i\}$$

$$cM_i = \sup\{cf(x) : t_{i-1} \leq x \leq t_i\}$$

then

$$L(cf, P) = \sum_{i=1}^n cm_i(t_i - t_{i-1}) = c \sum_{i=1}^n m_i(t_i - t_{i-1}) = cL(f, P)$$

$$U(cf, P) = \sum_{i=1}^n cM_i(t_i - t_{i-1}) = c \sum_{i=1}^n M_i(t_i - t_{i-1}) = cU(f, P)$$

if  $c \geq 0$ , then  $c(U(f, P) - L(f, P)) < \epsilon$  which implies

$$c((U(f, P) - L(f, P))) < c\epsilon$$

$$U(cf, P) - L(cf, P) < c\epsilon$$

Since we can make  $\epsilon$  as small as possible, we can also make  $c\epsilon$  as small as possible, and thus  $cf$  is

integrable on  $[a, b]$ . Notice also that

$$L(cf, P) = cL(f, P) \leq c \int_a^b f \leq cU(f, P) = U(cf, P) \implies \int_a^b cf = c \int_a^b f$$

If  $c \leq 0$ , we can use the fact that

$$cm_i = \inf\{cf(x) : t_{i-1} \leq x \leq t_i\} = c \sup\{f(x) : t_{i-1} \leq x \leq t_i\}$$

$$cM_i = \sup\{cf(x) : t_{i-1} \leq x \leq t_i\} = c \inf\{f(x) : t_{i-1} \leq x \leq t_i\}$$

Which implies that

$$L(cf, P) = cU(f, P) \quad \text{and} \quad U(cf, P) = cL(f, P).$$

Therefore,

$$U(cf, P) - L(cf, P) = cL(f, P) - cU(f, P) = -c(U(f, P) - L(f, P)) < -c\epsilon$$

as required. Likewise

$$L(cf, P) = cU(f, P) \leq c \int_a^b f \leq cL(f, P) = U(cf, P) \implies \int_a^b cf = c \int_a^b f$$

□

**2.55. Theorem:** Suppose  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$  and that

$$m \leq f(x) \leq M \forall x \in [a, b].$$

Then

$$m(b-a) \leq \int_a^b f \leq M(b-a).$$

*Proof.* It is clear that

$$m(b-a) \leq L(f, P) \quad \text{and} \quad U(f, P) \leq M(b-a)$$

for every partition  $P$ . Since  $\int_a^b f = \sup\{L(f, P)\} = \inf\{U(f, P)\}$ , the desired inequality follows immediately. □



## Chapter 5

# Trigonometric Functions

### 2.56. Definition:

$$\pi = 2 \cdot \int_{-1}^1 \sqrt{1-x^2} \, dx.$$

We define  $\pi$  as the area of the unit circle, more precisely, it is twice the area of a semicircle.

**2.57. Fact:** *The area bounded by the unit circle, the horizontal axis, and a half-line from the origin to  $(x, \sqrt{1-x^2})$  is given by*

$$A(x) = \frac{x\sqrt{1-x^2}}{2} + \int_x^1 \sqrt{1-t^2} \, dt,$$

for all  $-1 \leq x \leq 1$ .

**2.58.** For  $0 \leq x \leq \pi$ , we want to define  $\cos x$  and  $\sin x$  as the coordinates of a point  $P = (\cos x, \sin x)$  on the unit circle which determines a sector with area  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ .

**2.59. Definition:** If  $0 \leq x \leq \pi$ , then  $\cos x$  is the unique number in  $[-1, 1]$  such that

$$A(\cos x) = \frac{x}{2}$$

and

$$\sin x = \sqrt{1 - (\cos x)^2}.$$

**2.60. Theorem:** *If  $0 < x < \pi$ , then*

$$\cos'(x) = -\sin x,$$

$$\sin'(x) = \cos x.$$

*Proof.* If  $B = 2A$ , then the definition  $A(\cos x) = \frac{x}{2}$  can be written as

$$B(\cos x) = x;$$

which means  $B$  is just the inverse of  $\cos$ . Taking the derivative of  $A$  we see

$$A'(x) = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{1-x^2}},$$

and so

$$B'(x) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}.$$

Consequently

$$\begin{aligned} \cos'(x) &= (B^{-1})'(x) \\ &= \frac{1}{B'(B^{-1}(x))} \\ &= \frac{1}{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-[B^{-1}(x)]^2}}} \\ &= -\sqrt{1-(\cos x)^2} \\ &= -\sin x. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\sin x = \sqrt{1-(\cos x)^2}.$$

we also obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sin'(x) &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{-2 \cos x \cdot \cos'(x)}{\sqrt{1-(\cos x)^2}} \\ &= \frac{\cos x \sin x}{\sin x} \\ &= \cos x. \end{aligned}$$

□

**2.61.** For values of  $\sin x$  and  $\cos x$  for  $x$  not in  $[0, \pi]$ , they can be easily defined by a two-step piecing together process:

- If  $\pi \leq x \leq 2\pi$ , then

$$\sin x = -\sin(2\pi - x),$$

$$\cos x = \cos(2\pi - x).$$

- If  $x = 2\pi k + x'$  for some integer  $k$ , and some  $x' \in [0, 2\pi]$ , then

$$\sin x = \sin x',$$

$$\cos x = \cos x'.$$

**2.62. Definition:** For  $x \neq k\pi + \frac{\pi}{2}$ , we define:

$$\sec x = \frac{1}{\cos x} \quad \text{and} \quad \tan x = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x},$$

and for  $x \neq k\pi$ , we define:

$$\csc x = \frac{1}{\sin x} \quad \text{and} \quad \cot x = \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}.$$

**2.63. Theorem:** If  $x \neq k\pi + \frac{\pi}{2}$ , then

$$\sec'(x) = \sec x \tan x,$$

$$\tan'(x) = \sec^2 x.$$

If  $x \neq k\pi$ , then

$$\csc'(x) = -\csc x \cot x,$$

$$\cot'(x) = -\csc^2 x.$$

*Proof.* Trivial. □

**2.64.** The inverses of the trigonometric functions can also be easily differentiated, however, we must restrict them to suitable intervals so that it is one-to-one; the largest possible length obtainable is  $\pi$ , and the intervals usually chosen are

$$[-\pi/2, \pi/2] \text{ for } \sin, [0, \pi] \text{ for } \cos, (-\pi/2, \pi/2) \text{ for } \tan.$$

**2.65. Definition:** The inverse of the function

$$f(x) = \sin x, \quad -\pi/2 \leq x \leq \pi/2$$

is denoted by **arcsin**, whose domain is  $[-1, 1]$ .

**2.66. Definition:** The inverse of the function

$$g(x) = \cos x, \quad 0 \leq x \leq \pi$$

is denoted by **arccos**, whose domain is  $[-1, 1]$ .

**2.67. Definition:** The inverse of the function

$$h(x) = \tan x, \quad \pi/2 < x < \pi/2$$

is denoted by **arctan**, whose domain is all of  $\mathbb{R}$ . This function is one of the simplest examples of a bounded differentiable function that is one-to-one on all of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**2.68. Theorem:** If  $-1 < x < 1$ , then

$$\arcsin'(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \quad \text{and} \quad \arccos'(x) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}.$$

Moreover, for all  $x$  we have

$$\arctan'(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}.$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} \arcsin'(x) &= (f^{-1})'(x) \\ &= \frac{1}{f'(f^{-1}(x))} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sin'(\arcsin x)} \\ &= \frac{1}{\cos(\arcsin x)} \end{aligned}$$

Now since

$$\sin^2(\arcsin x) + \cos^2(\arcsin x) = 1,$$

we have

$$x^2 + \cos^2(\arcsin x) = 1;$$

therefore,

$$\cos(\arcsin x) = \sqrt{1-x^2}.$$

This proves the first formula. The second formula can be proofed in a similar way. The third formula is proved as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \arctan'(x) &= (h^{-1})'(x) \\ &= \frac{1}{h'h^{-1}(x)} \\ &= \frac{1}{\tan'(\arctan x)} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sec^2(\arctan x)} \end{aligned}$$

Dividing both sides of the identity

$$\sin^2 a + \cos^2 a = 1$$

by  $\cos^2 a$  yields

$$\tan^2 a + 1 = \sec^2 a.$$

It follows that

$$\tan^2(\arctan x) + 1 = \sec^2(\arctan x)$$

or

$$x^2 + 1 = \sec^2(\arctan x)$$

which proves the last formula. □

**2.69. Lemma:** Suppose  $f$  has a second derivative everywhere and that

$$f'' + f = 0, f(0) = 0, f'(0) = 0,$$

then  $f = 0$ .

*Proof.* Multiplying both sides of the first equation by  $f'$  yields

$$f' f'' + f f' = 0.$$

Thus

$$[(f')^2 + f^2]' = 2(f' f'' + f f') = 0.$$

so  $(f')^2 + f^2$  is a constant function. From  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f'(0) = 0$  it follows that the constant is 0; thus

$$[f'(x)]^2 + [f(x)]^2 = 0 \quad \text{for all } x$$

which implies that

$$f(x) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x.$$

□

**2.70. Theorem:** If  $f$  has a second derivative everywhere and

$$f'' + f = 0, f(0) = a, f'(0) = b,$$

then

$$f = b \cdot \sin + a \cdot \cos.$$

*Proof.* Let

$$g(x) = f(x) - b \sin x - a \cos x.$$

Then

$$g'(x) = f'(x) - b \cos x + a \sin x,$$

$$g''(x) = f''(x) + b \sin x + a \cos x.$$

Consequently,

$$g'' + g = 0, g(0) = 0, g'(0) = 0,$$

which shows that

$$0 = g(x) = f(x) - b \sin x - a \cos x \quad \text{for all } x.$$

□

**2.71. Theorem:** *If  $x$  and  $y$  are any two numbers, then*

$$\sin(x + y) = \sin x \cos y + \cos x \sin y,$$

$$\cos(x + y) = \cos x \cos y - \sin x \sin y.$$

*Proof.* For any number  $y$  we can define a function  $f$  by

$$f(x) = \sin(x + y).$$

Then

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

$$f''(x) = -\sin(x + y).$$

Consequently,

$$f'' + f = 0, f(0) = \sin y, f'(0) = \cos y,$$

It follows from theorem 4 that

$$\sin(x + y) = \cos y \sin x + \sin y \cos x, \quad \text{for all } x.$$

Since any number  $y$  could have been chosen to begin with, this proves the first formula for all  $x$  and  $y$ . The second formula is proved similarly.  $\square$

## Chapter 6

# Log and Exp functions

**2.72. Definition:** If  $x > 0$ , then

$$\log x = \int_1^x \frac{1}{t} dt.$$

**2.73. Note:** if  $x > 1$ , then  $\log x > 0$ , if  $0 < x < 1$ , then  $\log x < 0$ . And for all  $x \leq 0$ ,  $\log x$  is not defined as  $f(t) = 1/t$  is not bounded on  $[x, 1]$ .

**2.74. Theorem:** If  $x, y > 0$ , then

$$\log(xy) = \log x + \log y.$$

*Proof.* Choose any  $y > 0$  and let

$$f(x) = \log(xy)$$

Then

$$f'(x) = \log'(xy) \cdot y = \frac{1}{xy} \cdot y = \frac{1}{x}$$

Thus  $f' = \log'$ , this means that there is a number  $c$  such that

$$f(x) = \log x + c$$

for all  $x > 0$ , that is

$$\log(xy) = \log x + c$$

for all  $x > 0$ . Letting  $x = 1$ , we obtain

$$\log(1 \cdot y) = \log 1 + c = \log c.$$

This is true for all  $y > 0$ , so the theorem is proved.  $\square$

**2.75. Corollary:** If  $n$  is a natural number and  $x > 0$ , then

$$\log(x^n) = n \log x.$$

*Proof.* Trivial. □

**2.76. Corollary:** If  $x, y > 0$ , then

$$\log\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) = \log x - \log y.$$

*Proof.* This follows from the equations

$$\log x = \log\left(\frac{x}{y} \cdot y\right) = \log\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) + \log y.$$

□

**2.77. Definition:** The "exponential function," **exp**, is defined as  $\log^{-1}$ .

**2.78. Theorem:** For all numbers  $x$ ,

$$\exp'(x) = \exp(x).$$

*Proof.*

$$\exp'(x) = (\log^{-1})'(x) = \frac{1}{\log'(\log^{-1}(x))} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\log^{-1}(x)}} = \log^{-1}(x) = \exp(x).$$

□

**2.79. Theorem:** If  $x$  and  $y$  are any two numbers, then

$$\exp(x + y) = \exp(x) \cdot \exp(y).$$

*Proof.* Let  $x' = \exp(x)$  and  $y' = \exp(y)$ , so that

$$x = \log x' \quad \text{and} \quad y = \log y'$$

Then

$$x + y = \log x' + \log y' = \log(x'y').$$

This means that

$$\exp(x + y) = x'y' = \exp(x) \cdot \exp(y).$$

□



**2.80. Definition:**

$$e = \exp(1).$$

**2.81. Definition:** For any number  $x$ ,

$$e^x = \exp(x).$$

**2.82. Definition:** If  $a > 0$ , then, for any real number  $x$ ,

$$a^x = e^{x \log a}.$$

**2.83. Theorem:** If  $a > 0$ , then

$$(a^b)^c = a^{bc}$$

for all  $b, c$ ;

$$a^1 = a \quad \text{and} \quad a^{x+y} = a^x \cdot a^y.$$

for all  $x, y$ .

*Proof.* Trivial. □

**2.84. Remark:** Just as  $a^x$  can be expressed in terms of  $\exp$ ,  $\log_a$  can be expressed in terms of  $\log$ . If  $y = \log_a x$ , then  $x = a^y = e^{y \log a}$ , so  $\log x = y \log a$ , or  $y = \frac{\log x}{\log a}$ .

**2.85. Theorem:** If  $f$  is differentiable and

$$f'(x) = f(x) \quad \text{for all } x,$$

then there is a number  $c$  such that

$$f(x) = ce^x$$

for all  $x$ .

*Proof.* Let

$$g(x) = \frac{f(x)}{e^x}.$$

Then

$$g'(x) = \frac{e^x f'(x) - f(x)e^x}{(e^x)^2} = 0.$$

Hence,  $g(x)$  is constant and so

$$g(x) = \frac{f(x)}{e^x} = c$$

for all  $x$ . □

**2.86. Theorem:** For any natural number  $n$ ,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x}{x^n} = \infty.$$

*Proof.* We prove by induction. When  $n = 1$ , we have to prove  $e^x > x$  for all  $x$ , this is equivalent to  $x > \log(x)$  for all  $x$ .

- If  $x < 0$ , then  $0 < e^x \leq 1$ , so  $x < e^x$ .
- If  $0 < x \leq 1$ , then  $\log(x) \leq 0 < x$ .
- If  $x > 1$ , then  $\log x = \int_1^x \frac{1}{t} dt$ . Suppose we have a partition  $\mathcal{P}$  consisting with 1 block with width  $x - 1$  and  $M = 1$ , this means  $\log x < U(\frac{1}{t}, \mathcal{P}) = 1(x - 1) < x$ .

By induction on  $n$ , using L'Hopitals' Rule

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x}{x^n} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x}{nx^{n-1}} = \frac{1}{n} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x}{x^{n-1}} = \infty.$$

□

# Chapter 7

## Integration in elementary terms

### Section 3. List of important basic integrals

- (1).  $\int a \, dx = ax$
- (2).  $\int a^n \, dx = \frac{x^{n+1}n+1}{n} \neq 1$
- (3).  $\int \frac{1}{x} \, dx = \log x$
- (4).  $\int e^x \, dx = e^x$
- (5).  $\int \sin x \, dx = -\cos x$
- (6).  $\int \cos x \, dx = \sin x$
- (7).  $\int \sec^2 x \, dx = \tan x$
- (8).  $\int \sec x \tan x \, dx = \sec x$
- (9).  $\int \frac{dx}{1+x^2} = \arctan x$
- (10).  $\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} = \arcsin x$

**3.1. Theorem (Integration by parts):** If  $f'$  and  $g'$  are continuous, then

$$\int f(x)g'(x) \, dx = f(x)g(x) - \int f'(x)g(x) \, dx.$$

$$\int_a^b f(x)g'(x) \, dx = f(x)g(x)|_a^b - \int_a^b f'(x)g(x) \, dx.$$

*Proof.* Trivial. □

**3.2. Note:** While using integration by parts, there are two tricks one should know. The first is to consider the function  $g'$  to be the fact 1, the obvious example of the use of this is when integrating  $\int \log x \, dx$ . The second trick is to use integration by parts to find  $\int h$  in terms of  $\int h$  again, and then solve for  $\int h$ . A simple example:

$$\int (1/x) \cdot \log x \, dx = \log x \cdot \log x - \int (1/x) \cdot \log x \, dx$$

which implies that

$$2 \int \frac{1}{x} \log x \, dx = (\log x)^2$$

or

$$\int \frac{1}{x} \log x \, dx = \frac{(\log x)^2}{2}$$

However more complicated calculations is often required, usually by repeated applying integration by parts.

**3.3. Theorem (Substitution):** *If  $f$  and  $g'$  are continuous, then*

$$\int_{g(a)}^{g(b)} f(u) \, du = \int_a^b (f(g(x)) \cdot g'(x) \, dx$$

*Proof.* If  $F$  is a primitive of  $f$ , then the left side is  $F(g(b)) - F(g(a))$ . On the other hand,

$$(F \circ g)' = (F' \circ g) \cdot g' = (f \circ g) \circ g'.$$

So  $F \circ g$  is a primitive of  $(f \circ g) \cdot g'$  and the right side is

$$(F \circ g)(b) - (F \circ g)(a) = F(g(b)) - F(g(a)).$$

□

**3.4. Theorem (Partial fraction decomposition):** *Every polynomial function*

$$q(x) = x^m + b_{m-1}x^{m-1} + \cdots + b_0$$

*can be written as a product*

$$q(x) = (x - \alpha_1)^{r_1} \cdot \cdots \cdot (x - \alpha_k)^{r_k} (x^2 + \beta_1x + \gamma_1)^{s_1} \cdot \cdots \cdot (x^2 + \beta_lx + \gamma_l)^{s_l}$$

*(where  $r_1 + \cdots + r_k + 2(s_1 + \cdots + s_l) = m$ ).*

**3.5. Theorem:** If  $n < m$  and

$$p(x) = x^n + a_{n-1}x^{n-1} + \cdots + a_0,$$

$$\begin{aligned} a(x) &= x^m + b_{m-1}x^{m-1} + \cdots + b_0 \\ &= (x - \alpha_1)^{r_1} \cdots (x - \alpha_k)^{r_k} (x^2 + \beta_1x + \gamma_1)^{s_1} \cdots (x^2 + \beta_lx + \gamma_l)^{s_l} \end{aligned}$$

then  $p(x)/q(x)$  can be written in the form

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} &= \left[ \frac{a_{1,1}}{(x - \alpha_1)} + \cdots + \frac{a_{1,r_1}}{(x - \alpha_1)^{r_1}} \right] + \cdots + \left[ \frac{a_{k,1}}{(x - \alpha_k)} + \cdots + \frac{a_{k,r_k}}{(x - \alpha_k)^{r_k}} \right] \\ &+ \left[ \frac{b_{1,1x+c_{1,1}}}{(x^2 - \beta_1x + \gamma_1)} + \cdots + \frac{b_{1,s_1} + c_{1,s_1}}{(x^2 + \beta_1x + \gamma_1)^{s_1}} \right] + \cdots + \left[ \frac{b_{l,1x+c_{l,1}}}{(x^2 - \beta_lx + \gamma_l)} + \cdots + \frac{b_{l,s_l} + c_{l,s_l}}{(x^2 + \beta_lx + \gamma_l)^{s_l}} \right] \end{aligned}$$

## Chapter 8

# Integration in elementary terms

### Section 4. Taylor polynomials

**4.1. Definition:** Let

$$a_k = \frac{f^{(k)}(a)}{k!}, \quad 0 \leq k \leq n$$

The Taylor polynomial of degree  $n$  for  $f$  at  $a$  is:

$$P_{n,a}(x) = a_0 + a_1(x-a) + \cdots + a_n(x-a)^n.$$

**4.2.** The Taylor polynomial has been defined so that

$$P_{n,a}^{(k)}(a) = f^{(k)}(a) \quad 0 \leq k \leq n,$$

and it is also the only polynomial of degree  $\leq n$  with this property.

**4.3. Theorem:** Suppose that  $f$  is a function which is  $n$ -times differentiable. Let

$$a_k = \frac{f^{(k)}(a)}{k!}, \quad 0 \leq k \leq n,$$

and define

$$P_{n,a}(x) = a_0 + a_1(x-a) + \cdots + a_n(x-a)^n.$$

Then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - P_{n,a}(x)}{(x-a)^n} = 0.$$

*Proof.* Writing out  $P_{n,a}(x)$  explicitly, we obtain

$$\frac{f(x) - P_{n,a}(x)}{(x-a)^n} = \frac{f(x) - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{f^{(i)}(a)}{i!} (x-a)^i}{(x-a)^n} - \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}.$$

Lets introduce two new functions

$$Q(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{f^{(i)}(a)}{i!} (x-a)^i \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = (x-a)^n;$$

so now we must prove that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - Q(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}.$$

Notice that  $Q^{(k)}(a)$  is just  $f^{(k)}(a)$  for all  $k \leq n-1$ , and  $g^{(k)}(x) = n!(x-a)^{n-k}/(n-k)!$ . Thus we can apply l'Hopitals rule repeatedly, as

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x) - Q(x)] = f(a) - Q(a) = 0,$$

⋮

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f^{(n-2)}(x) - Q^{(n-2)}(x)] = f^{(n-2)}(a) - Q^{(n-2)}(a) = 0,$$

We can in fact apply l'Hopital's rules  $n-1$  times to obtain

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

Since  $Q$  is a polynomial of degree  $n-1$ , its  $(n-1)$ st derivative is a constant, in fact,  $Q^{(n-1)}(x) = f^{(n-1)}(a)$ . Thus

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

Applying L'Hopital one last time gives us that the last limit is  $f^{(n)}(a)/n!$ , which is what we want. □

**4.4. Theorem:** *Suppose that*

$$f'(a) = \dots = f^{(n-1)}(a) = 0,$$

$$f^{(n)}(a) \neq 0$$

- (1). *if  $n$  is even and  $f^{(n)}(a) > 0$ , then  $f$  has a local minimum at  $a$ .*
- (2). *If  $n$  is even and  $f^{(n)}(a) < 0$ , then  $f$  has a local maximum at  $a$ .*
- (3). *If  $n$  is odd, then  $f$  has neither a local maximum nor a local minimum at  $a$ .*

*Proof.* Without loss of generality, assume  $f(a) = 0$ , since neither the hypothese nor the conclusion are affected if  $f$  is replaced by  $f - f(a)$ . Then, since the first  $n-1$  derivatives of  $f$  at  $a$  are 0, the Taylor polynomial  $P_{n,a}$  of  $f$  is

$$P_{n,a}(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a) + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}(x-a)^n = \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}(x-a)^n.$$

By theorem 1,

$$0 = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - P_{n,a}(x)}{(x-a)^n} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left[ \frac{f(x)}{(x-a)^n} - \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!} \right].$$

Which means, if  $x$  is sufficiently close to  $a$ , then

$$\frac{f(x)}{(x-a)^n} \text{ has the same sign as } \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}.$$

Suppose now that  $n$  is even. In this case  $(x-a)^n > 0$  for all  $x \neq a$ , hence  $f(x)$  must have the same sign as  $f^{(n)}(a)/n!$  for  $x$  sufficiently close to  $a$ . If  $f^{(n)}(a) > 0$ , then

$$f(x) > 0 = f(a)$$

for  $x$  close to  $a$ , and hence  $f$  has a local minimum at  $a$ . An analogous proof works for the case  $f^{(n)}(a) < 0$ .

Now suppose that  $n$  is odd, the same argument as before shows that if  $x$  is sufficiently close to  $a$ , then

$$\frac{f(x)}{(x-a)^n} \text{ must always have the same sign}$$

But  $(x-a)^n > 0$  for  $x > a$  and  $(x-a)^n < 0$  for  $x < a$ . Therefore  $f(x)$  has different signs for  $x > a$  and  $x < a$ , which proves that  $f$  is neither a local maximum nor a local minimum at  $a$ .  $\square$

**4.5. Definition:** Two functions  $f$  and  $g$  are **equal up to order  $n$  at  $a$**  if

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - g(x)}{(x-a)^n} = 0.$$

**4.6. Theorem:** Let  $P$  and  $Q$  be two polynomials in  $(x-a)$ , of degree  $\leq n$ , and suppose that  $P$  and  $Q$  are equal up to order  $n$  at  $a$ . Then  $P = Q$ .

*Proof.* Spivak pg 419.  $\square$

**4.7. Corollary:** Let  $f$  be  $n$ -times differentiable at  $a$ , and suppose that  $P$  is a polynomial in  $(x-a)$  of degree  $\leq n$ , which equals  $f$  up to order  $n$  at  $a$ . Then  $P = P_{n,a,f}$ .