

# Part I : Differential Calculus

## 1. Differential Calculus for functions of a single variable. Taylor's Formula.

Problem : Digital computing machines do  
not store values of nonlinear  
functions such as  $\sin x$  but  
rather compute them (whenever  
needed) using only basic  
arithmetic operations:  $+$ ,  $-$ ,  $\cdot$ ,  $\div$ .  
How is this done in practice?

Math. Insight : Polynomials  
$$P(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0$$
  
are constructed via a finite  
nr. of arithmetic operations.  
(So, that's what we need!)



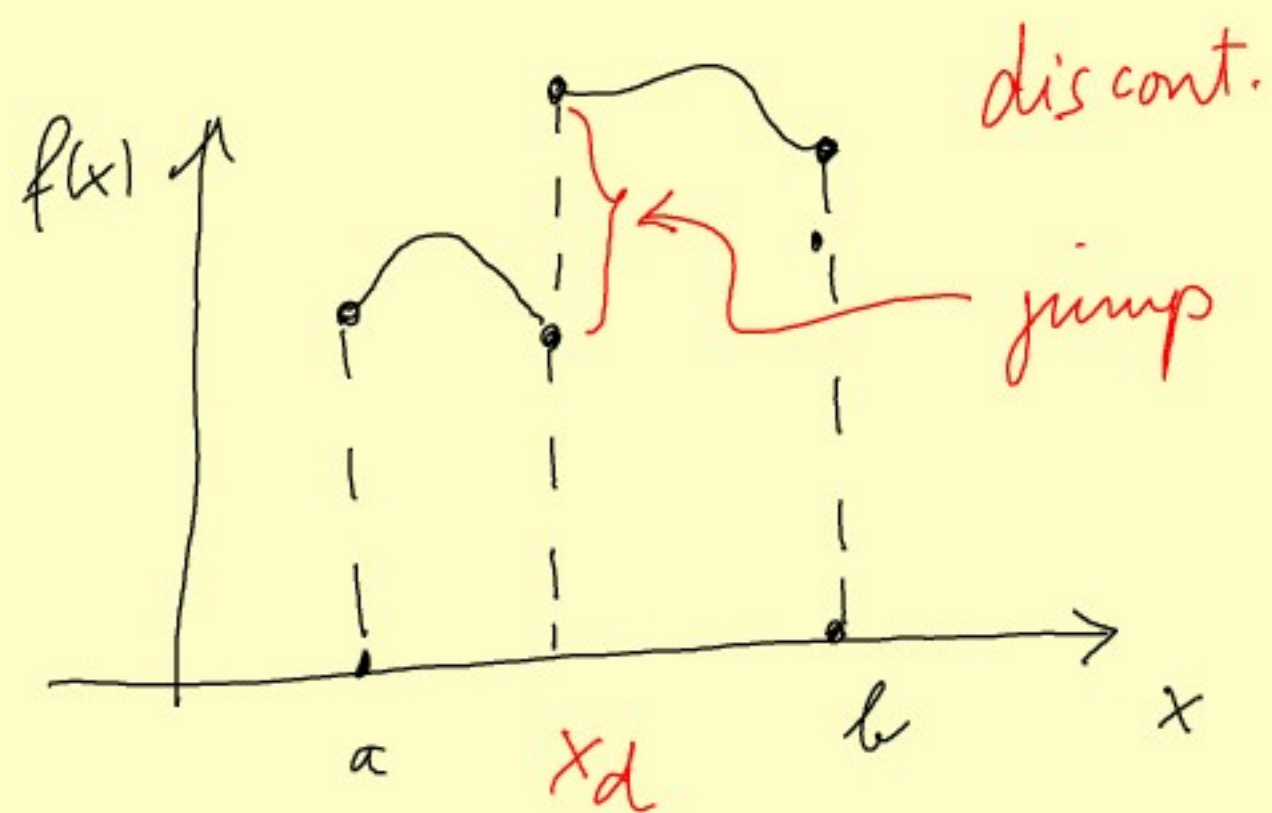
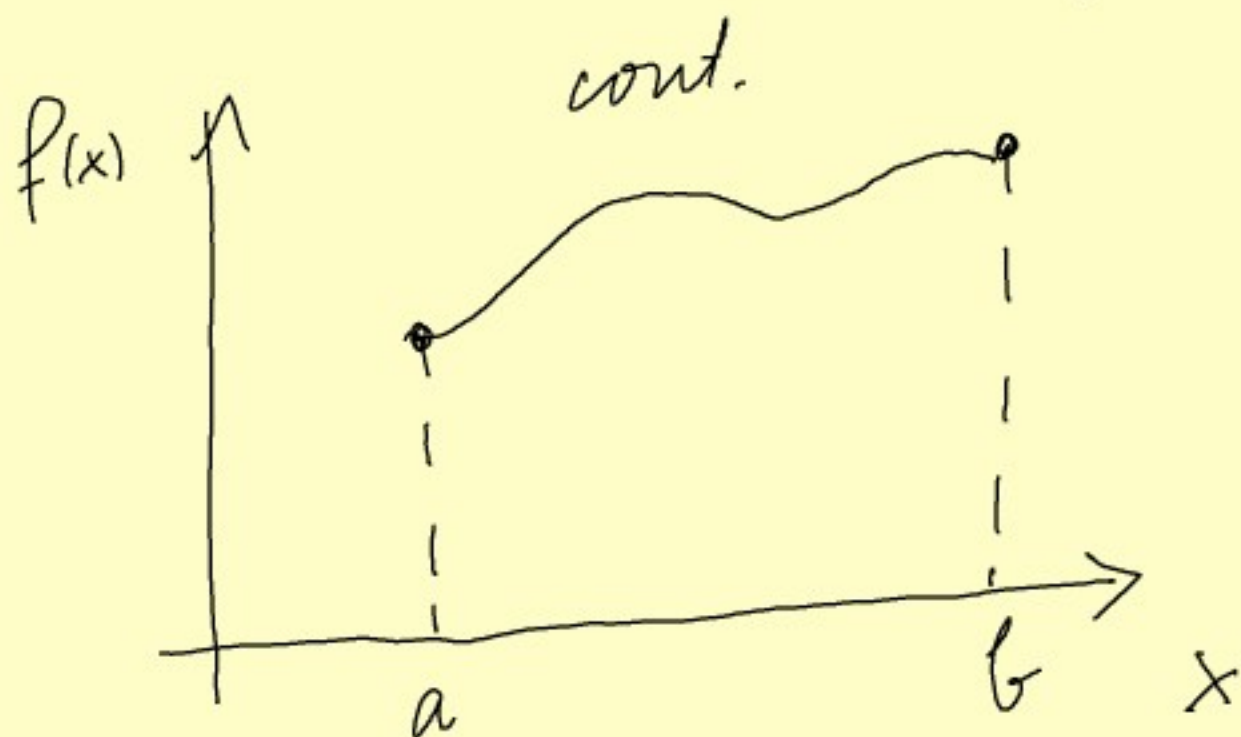
# § 1.1. Limits and Continuity (CAUCHY 1821) "ε-δ defs"

Def (limit of  $f$  at a point  $x^*$ )  $f: (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow x^*} f(x) = l$  if

$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \quad \exists \delta > 0$  s.t.  $|f(x) - l| < \varepsilon$   
for all  $x \in (a, b)$  with  $|x - x^*| < \delta$ .

Def  $f: (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is cont at  $x^* \in (a, b)$   
if  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x^*} f(x) = f(x^*)$ .

Intuitively: "if cont you can draw its graph without removing pencil from paper"





T (WEIERSTRASS ~ 1860)  $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  cont.

Then  $f$  is bounded and attains its  
 $\min(m)$  and  $\max(M)$  in the sense  
that

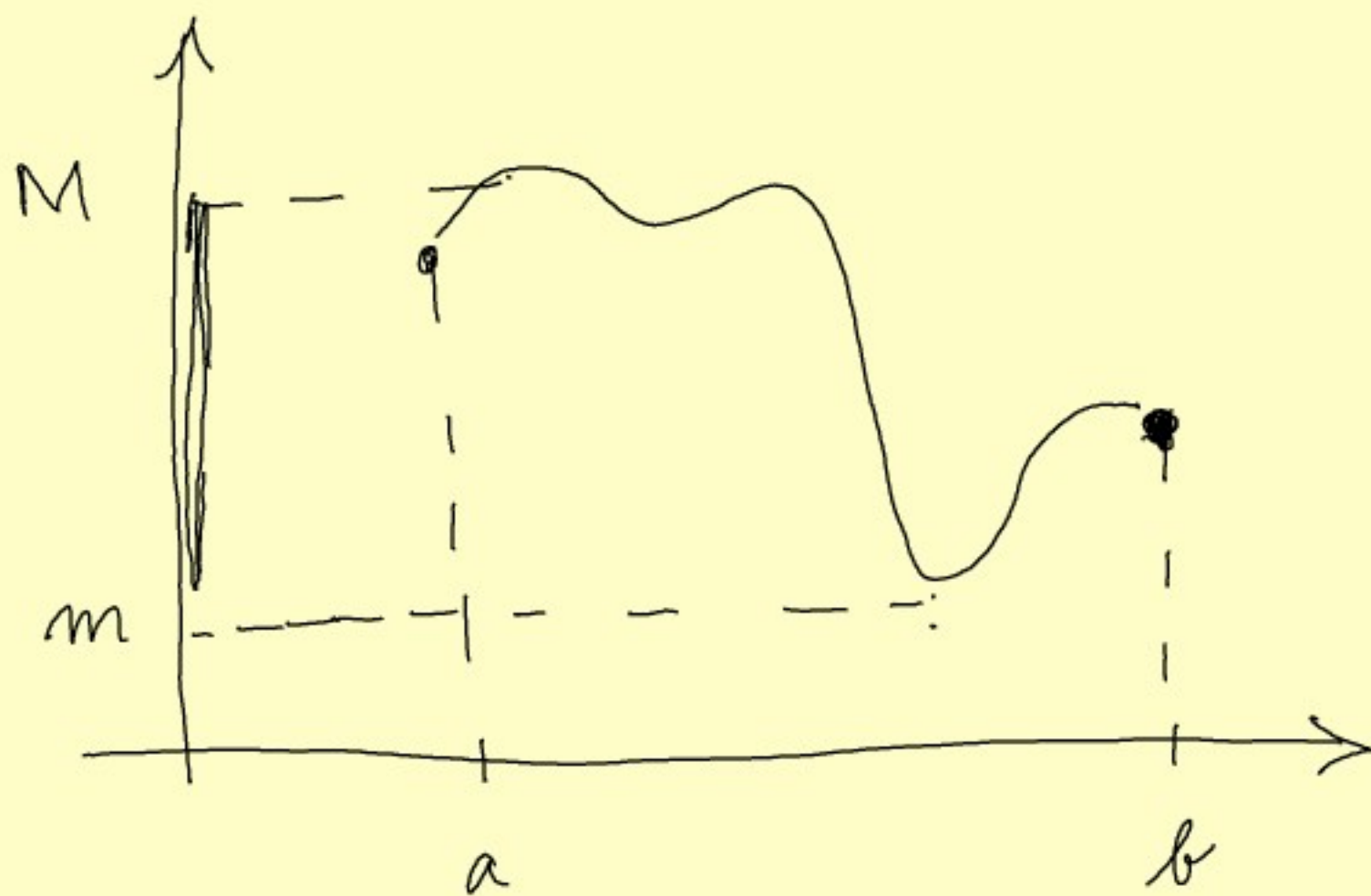
$$f([a, b]) = [m, M]$$

↑ not. for the image of  $[a, b]$  through  $f$

$$f([a, b]) = \{ y \in \mathbb{R} : \exists x \in [a, b] \text{ s.t. } y = f(x) \}$$

Rk  $\forall x \in [a, b] \quad \exists y \in [m, M] \text{ s.t. } y = f(x)$

"you pass through all points between  $m$   
and  $M$ "





## § 1.2. Differential Calculus and Mean-value Theorems

"Derivative" IDEA Newton (Velocity)

Def (differentiability)  $f: (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is diffable  
at  $x^* \in (a, b)$  if the limit  
$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x^* + h) - f(x^*)}{h}$$
 exists & is finite ( $< \infty$ )

Rk If the limit exists but is infinite, then  
we say that  $f$  has derivative at  $x^*$   
but is not diffable at  $x^*$ .

WHY derivatives? OPTIMIZATION

$\square$  (FERMAT)  $f: (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  has a local  
min/max at  $x^* \in (a, b)$ .

If  $f$  is diffable at  $x^*$  then  $f'(x^*) = 0$ .

Rk The converse statement doesn't hold  
( $f'(x^*) = 0 \not\Rightarrow x^*$  local extremum)



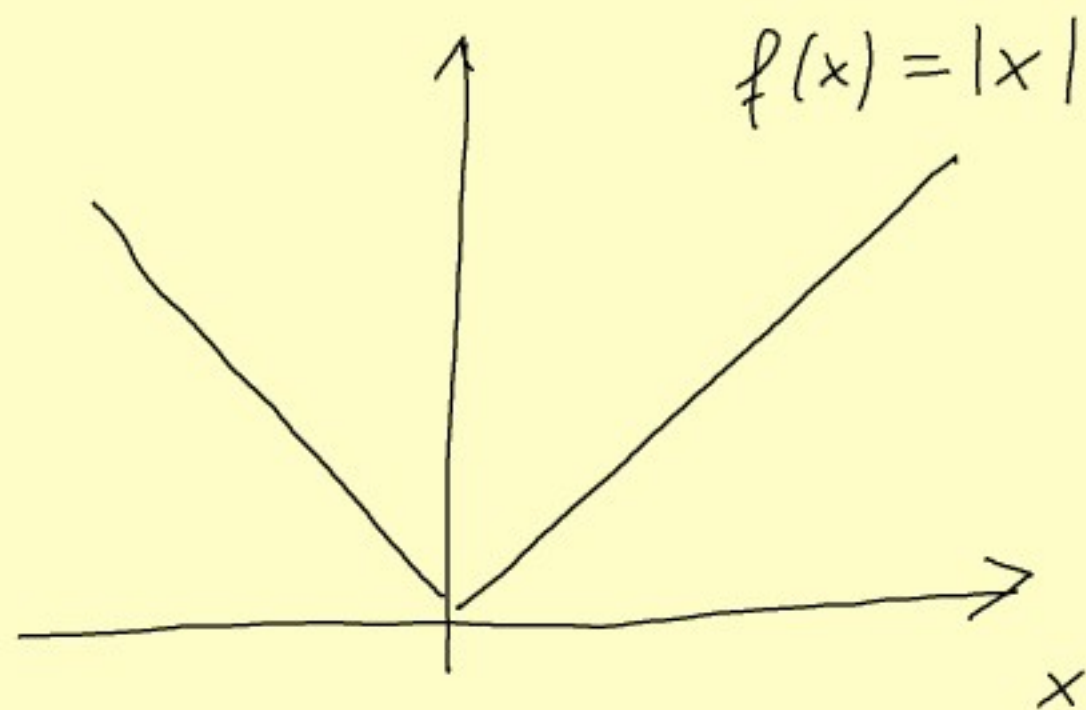
Def (local extrema)  $x^*$  is local mini/max of  $f$

$f: (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  if  $f(x^*) \leq f(x)$

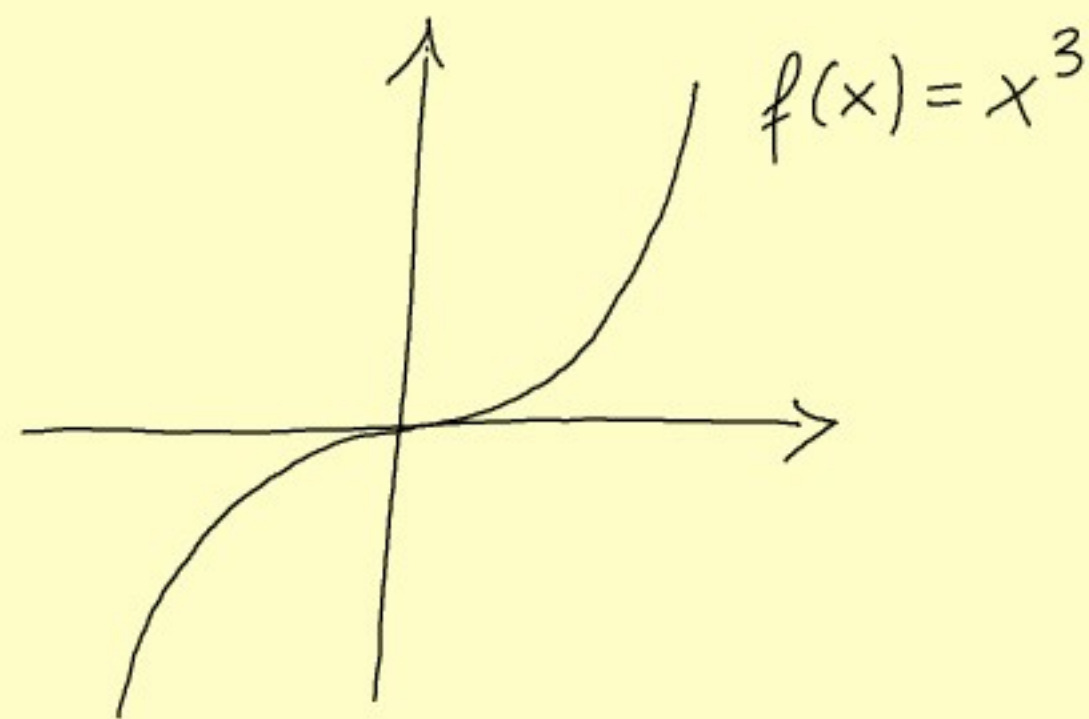
$\forall x \in [x^* - \varepsilon, x^* + \varepsilon], \varepsilon > 0.$

Def (critical or stationary points)

$x^*$  is crit pt. of  $f$  if  $f'(x^*) = 0$ .



0 is a minimum  
but  $f$  is not diffable  
at 0 (so 0 is not a crit.)



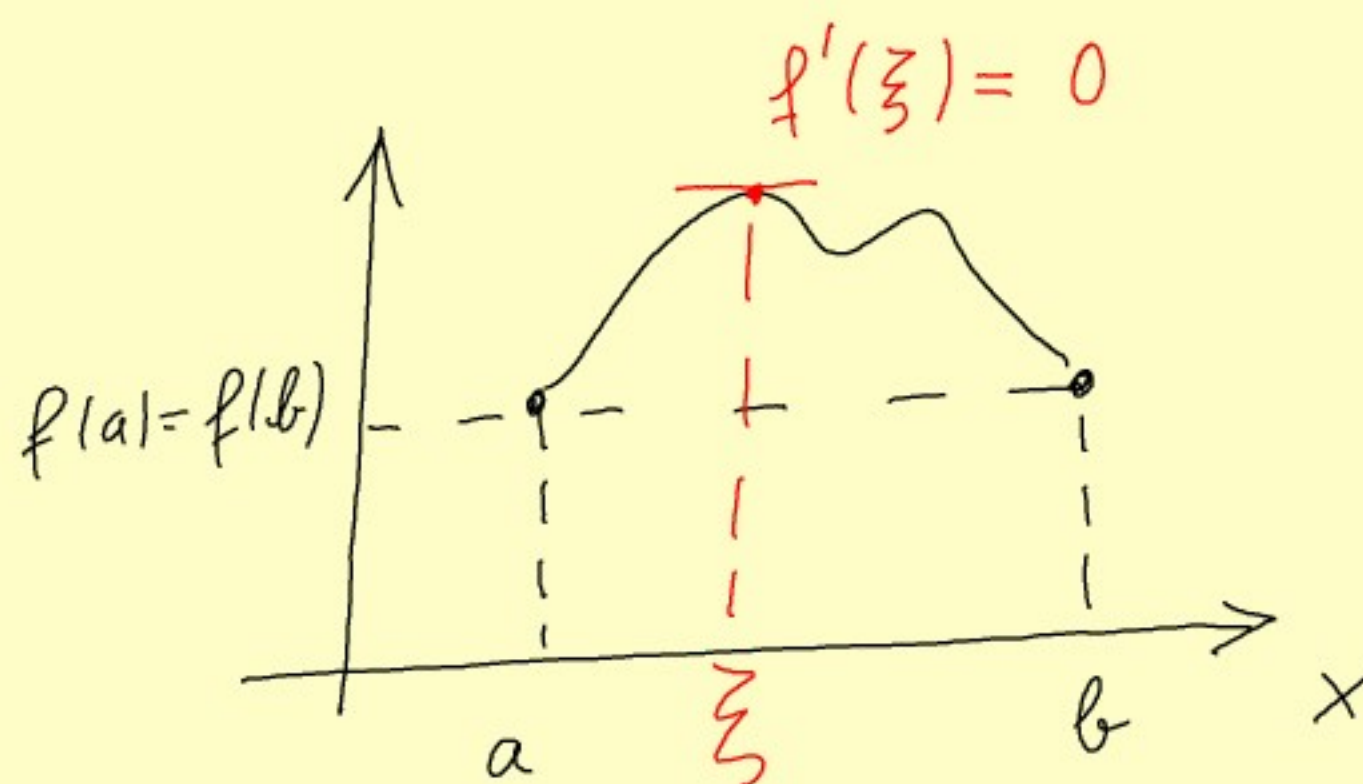
$f'(0) = 0$  but  
0 is not extr.



$\square$  (ROLLE)  $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

If  $f$   $\cdot$   $f$  cont on  $[a, b]$   $\cdot$   $f$  diffable on  $(a, b)$   $\cdot$   $f(a) = f(b)$   $\left| \right.$  Then  $\exists \xi \in (a, b)$  such that  $f'(\xi) = 0$ .

Idea of proof:  
use  $\square$  Fermat  
+  $\square$  Weierstrass  
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! This means that  $f$  has a local min/max!

$\square$  (LAGRANGE)

$f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

If  $f$   $\cdot$   $f$  cont on  $[a, b]$   $\cdot$   $f$  diffable on  $(a, b)$

Then  $\exists \xi \in (a, b)$  s.t.

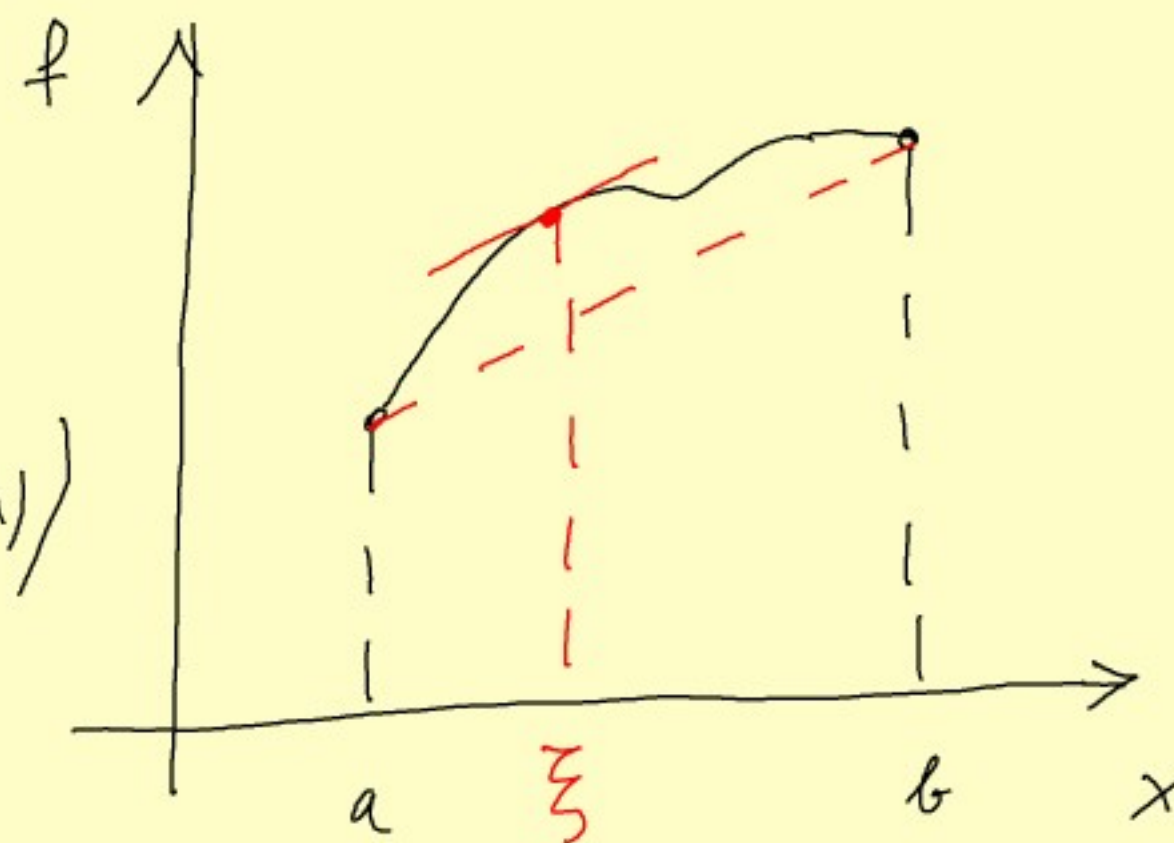
$$f'(\xi) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$$

Idea of proof

Apply  $\square$  Rolle to

$$F(x) = (b-a)f(x) - x(f(b) - f(a))$$

HW: complete the proof.



Rewrite the Lagrange formula:  $f(b) = f(a) + f'(\xi)(b-a)$



### § 1.3. Taylor's Formula

IDEA: approximate (nonlinear) function by polynomial

$\square$  (Taylor)  $f: (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  diffable  $n+1$  times

$x_0 \in (a, b)$ . Then,  $\forall x \in (a, b) \exists \xi$  between  $x$  and  $x_0$

such that

$$f(x) = \underbrace{f(x_0) + \frac{f'(x_0)}{1!}(x-x_0) + \frac{f''(x_0)}{2!}(x-x_0)^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(x_0)}{n!}(x-x_0)^n}_{T_n(x) \text{ Taylor polyn.}} + \underbrace{\frac{f^{(n+1)}(\xi)}{(n+1)!}(x-x_0)^{n+1}}_{R_n(x)}$$

Reminder

$$f(x) = T_n(x) + R_n(x)$$

$$\uparrow R_n(x) \sim \frac{1}{(n+1)!} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

Examples: usually  $x_0 = 0$  (MacLaurin)

$$e^x \approx e^0 + \frac{e^0}{1!}(x-0) + \frac{e^0}{2!}(x-0)^2 + \dots$$

$$\approx 1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \dots + \frac{1}{n!}x^n$$

$$\sin x \approx x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots$$

$\approx$  approx  
(because we drop the remainder)



Idea of the proof:

Step 1. Prove Taylor formula w. "integral remainder"  
↖ use integration by parts

$$(*) \quad f(x) = f(x_0) + \frac{f'(x_0)}{1!} (x-x_0) + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(x_0)}{n!} (x-x_0)^n + \int_{x_0}^x f^{(n+1)}(r) \frac{(x-r)^n}{n!} dr$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= f(x_0) + \int_{x_0}^x 1 \cdot f'(r) dr \\ &= f(x_0) + \int_{x_0}^x (- (x-r))' f'(r) dr \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{derivatives w.r.t. } r! \\ \text{integr. by parts} \end{array} \\ &= f(x_0) - 0 + (x-x_0) f'(x_0) + \int_{x_0}^x (x-r) f''(r) dr \\ &\quad \quad \quad = \frac{1}{2} (- (x-r)^2)' \end{aligned}$$

and repeat integr. by parts to get (\*)

Step 2. Prove that integral remainder is equiv to Lagrange remainder

$$\int_{x_0}^x f^{(n+1)}(r) \frac{(x-r)^n}{n!} dr \quad \text{vs.} \quad \frac{f^{(n+1)}(\xi)}{(n+1)!} (x-x_0)^{n+1}$$

HW: Find  $\xi$  s.t. = holds HW

Hint: use Weierstrass