

1 Functions

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1.1 Functions. Domain of Definition

The independent variable x is defined by a set X of its values. If to each value of the independent variable $x \in X$ there corresponds one definite value of another variable y , then y is called the function of x with a domain of definition (or domain) X or, in functional notation, $y = y(x)$, or $y = f(x)$, or $y = \varphi(x)$, and so forth. The set of values of the function $y(x)$ is called the range of the given function.

1.2 Investigation of Functions

A function $f(x)$ defined on the set X is said to be non-decreasing on this set (respectively, increasing, non-increasing, decreasing), if for any numbers $x_1, x_2 \in X, x_1 < x_2$ the inequality $f(x_1) \leq f(x_2)$ (respectively, $f(x_1) < f(x_2), f(x_1) \geq f(x_2), f(x_1) > f(x_2)$) is satisfied. The function $f(x)$ is said to be monotonic on the set X if it possesses one of the four indicated properties. The function $f(x)$ is said to be bounded above (or below) on the set X if there exists a number M (or m) such that $f(x) \leq M \forall x \in X$. The function $f(x)$ is said to be bounded on the set X if it is bounded above and below. The function $f(x)$ is called periodic if there exists a number $T > 0$ such that $f(x+T) = f(x)$ for all x belonging to the domain of definition of the function (together with any point x the point $x+T$ must belong to the domain of definition). The least number T possessing this property (if such a number exists) is called the period of the function $f(x)$. The function $f(x)$ takes on the maximum value at the point $x_o \in X$ if $f(x_o) \geq f(x)$ for all $x \in X$, and the minimum value if $f(x_o) \leq f(x)$ for all $x \in X$. A function $f(x)$ defined on a set X which is symmetric *w.r.t* origin of coordinates is called even if $f(-x) = f(x)$, and odd if $f(x) = -f(x)$.

1.3 Inverse of Function

Let the function $y = f(x)$ be defined on the set X and have a range Y . If for each $y \in Y$ there ex-

ists a single value of x such that $f(x) = y$, then this correspondence defines a certain function $x = g(y)$ called inverse *w.r.t* given function $y = f(x)$. The sufficient condition for the existence of an inverse function is a strict monotony of the original function $y = f(x)$. If the function increases(decreases), then the inverse function also increases (decreases). The graph of the inverse function $x = g(y)$ coincides with that of the function $y = f(x)$ if the independent variable is marked off along the y -axis. If the independent variable is laid off along the x -axis, i. e. if the inverse function is written in the form $y = g(x)$, then the graph of the inverse function will be symmetric to that of the function $y = f(x)$ with respect to the bisector of the first and third quadrants.

2 Limits

2.1 Existence

Limit of function $f(x)$ is said to exist as $x \rightarrow a$ when,

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

equal to some finite value L .

2.2 Indeterminate forms

There are only seven indeterminate forms $\frac{0}{0}, \frac{\infty}{\infty}, 0 \times \infty, \infty - \infty, \infty^0, 0^0$ and 1^∞ .

2.3 List of limits

Limits Operations

If $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$

- $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} [f(x \pm a)] = L \pm a$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} a f(x) = aL$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{1}{f(x)} = \frac{1}{L}$ for $L > 0$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)^n = L^n$ for $n > 0$

Involving infinitesimal changes

If infinitesimal change h if denote by Δx . If $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are differentiable at x .

- $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h} = f'(x)$
- $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f \circ g(x+h) - f \circ g(x)}{h} = f'[g(x)]g'(x)$
- $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h)g(x+h) - f(x)g(x)}{h} = f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x)$
- $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{f(x+h)}{f(x)} \right)^{\frac{1}{h}} = \exp\left(\frac{f'(x)}{f(x)}\right)$
- $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{f(e^h x)}{f(x)} \right)^{\frac{1}{h}} = \exp\left(\frac{x f'(x)}{f(x)}\right)$

If $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are differentiable on an open interval containing c , except possibly c itself, and $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) = 0$ or $\pm\infty$.

Jean Bernoulli or L'Hopital's rule can be used:

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

Inequalities

If $f(x) \leq g(x)$ for all x in interval that contains c , except possibly c itself, and the limit of $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ both exist at c , then $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) \leq \lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x)$.
If $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} h(x) = L$ and

$$f(x) \leq g(x) \leq h(x)$$

for all x in an open interval that contains c , except possibly c itself, $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) = L$. This is known as *Squeeze Theorem*.

2.4 Exponential Functions

Function of form $f(x)^{g(x)}$

- $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \left(\frac{x}{x+k}\right)^x = e^{-k}$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1+x)^{\frac{1}{x}} = e$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1+kx)^{\frac{m}{x}} = e^{mk}$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x = e$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right)^x = \frac{1}{e}$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \left(1 + \frac{k}{x}\right)^{mx} = e^{mk}$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1 + a(e^{-x} - 1))^{-\frac{1}{x}} = e^a$