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Differentiation

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Differentiation – An Introduction

$$\textcircled{1} \ L(a+b) = La + Lb.$$

$$\textcircled{2} \ L(k \cdot a) = k \cdot La.$$

In order to investigate a function's derivative, we should first take a close look of **Linear map**.

$$L : \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \text{ additive } \quad \textcircled{2} \text{ homogeneous.}$$

$$\underline{x \rightarrow 2x}$$

$$2(x_1+x_2) = 2x_1+2x_2$$

Definition : A linear map on \mathbb{R} is a function given by : $2(kx) = k \cdot 2x$.

$$L : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad L(x) = \alpha x, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$$

Clearly, such a function has lots of good properties, which made our discussion becomes easier.

In this perspective, we would like to approximate any functions which we are interested in by a linear map. And if such linear map exists, we say this function is differentiable.

Differentiation – An Introduction

Translating into mathematical language...

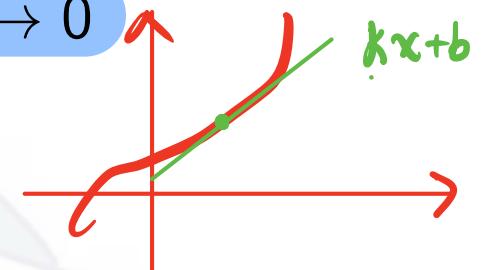
Definition : Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be a set and $x \in \text{int}\Omega$. Moreover, Let $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a real function. Then we say f is **differentiable** if there exists a linear map L_x such that for all sufficiently small $h \in \mathbb{R}$,

differentiation.

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + L_x(h) + o(h) \quad \text{as } h \rightarrow 0$$

$L_x(h) \rightarrow k \cdot h$.

This linear map is **unique**, if it exists.



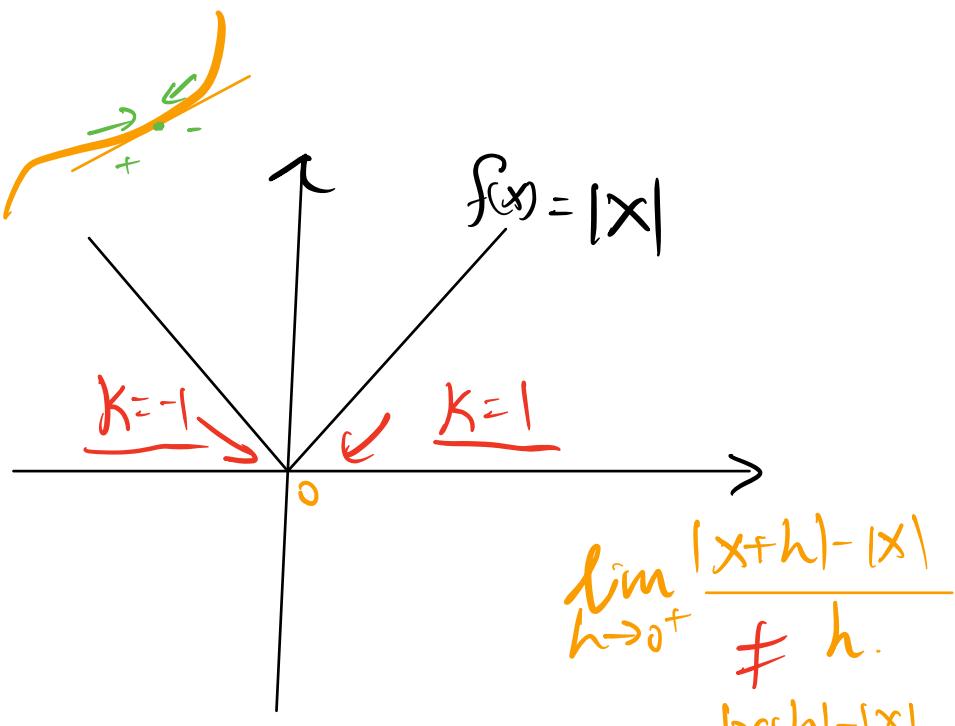
We call L_x "the derivative of f at x ". If f is differentiable at all points of some open set $U \subseteq \Omega$, we say f is differentiable on U .

3.1.5. Theorem. Let Ω be a set, $x \in \Omega$ an interior point and $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ a function that is differentiable at x with derivative $L_x = f'(x)$. Then

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}. \quad (3.1.7)$$

Furthermore, if the limit in (3.1.7) exists for an interior point $x \in \Omega$, then f is differentiable at x and the derivative is given by (3.1.7).

$$f'(x) = L_x$$



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

$f(x)$

Derivative

Common misunderstandings:

$$\begin{array}{c} x^2 \\ f'(x) = \underline{\underline{2x}} \\ L: h \xrightarrow{\quad} \underline{\underline{2xh}} \\ L_x \text{ is a number for a fixed } x \in \Omega, \text{ because } L_x = \alpha. \end{array}$$

L_x is **not a number**, but a **linear map**, or one can say "linear function", so it essentially is a function. $L_x \cdot h = \alpha \cdot h$ (for some α) doesn't mean $L_x = \alpha$.

To see this, one can consider a function given by

$$f(x) = 2x$$

, which doesn't mean $f = 2$.

Linear Map

- A more general case.

Derivative

Common misunderstandings:

$$\begin{aligned} L_x : h &\longrightarrow \underline{4x^3 h}. \\ \textcircled{1} \quad 4x^3(h_1+h_2) &= 4x^3h_1 + 4x^3h_2 \\ \textcircled{2} \quad 4x^3(kh) &= k \cdot 4x^3h. \end{aligned}$$

For $f(x) = x^4$, $f'(x) = \underline{4x^3}$, so L_x may not be linear

You are confusing "derivative at a point" with "function that gives derivative". At certain point x , $4x^3$ is just a number in \mathbb{R} . Using our notation for L_x (or $f'(x)$), we can express L_x as

$$L_x(\cdot) = 4x^3(\cdot)$$

, the variable of L_x is not x , so L_x is **linear** for its input (\cdot)

Given a differentiable function $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, the function that gives a derivative can be denoted by $L: (\Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow (\Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R})$, $L(\cdot)(x) = L_x(\cdot)$.
It is a function that maps function to function.

Derivative

Common misunderstandings:

$f'(x)$



$$\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$
$$\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}.$$

The derivative of f at x is a line passing through $(x, f(x))$

Although it is usually a good idea to sketch something to help you to understand some mathematical concepts, but you always need to aware of the essential reason why such a graph make sense.

The derivative of f at x is a function, not a graph. We simply use the graph to illustrate our function sometimes, in this case(\mathbb{R}), it will be a straight line, but in other case, it can be more complicated.

Rules of Differentiation

We now assume both f and g are differentiable functions, then:

- $(f + g)'(x) = f'(x) + g'(x)$
- $(f \cdot g)'(x) = f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x)$
- $(f \circ g)'(x) = f'(g(x))g'(x)$ *chain rule.*

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

Exercise

$$\begin{aligned} x^k &= \cancel{x} \cdot \cancel{x^{k-1}} \\ f'(x) &= 6x^5 \\ g'(x) &= 2+10x. \end{aligned}$$

(fog)'(x) = f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x).

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

1. Practical calculation is really important! Please calculate the derivatives of the following functions.

$$f(x) = (2x + 5x^2)^6 \quad g(x) = 2x + 5x^2.$$

- $\frac{\sqrt{x}}{x+1}$
- $\sqrt[3]{\frac{3x^2+1}{x^2+1}}$

$$f(x) = x^6$$

$$f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x} \quad g(x) = \frac{3x^2+1}{x^2+1}$$

$$(f \circ g)'(x) = f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)$$

$$= 6g(x)^5 \cdot g'(x).$$

$$= 6 \cdot (2x + 5x^2)^5 \cdot (10x + 2).$$

$$\left(\frac{\sqrt{x}}{x+1}\right)' = \frac{(\sqrt{x})(x+1) - (x+1)\sqrt{x}}{(x+1)^2} = \frac{2\sqrt{x}(x+1) - \sqrt{x}}{(x+1)^2}$$

2. More general Cases! Please calculate following functions' derivative.
(Suppose g' always exists and doesn't vanish)

i. $f(x) = g(x \cdot g(a))$ $f'(x) = g'(x \cdot g(a)) \cdot \underline{(x \cdot g(a))'} = g'(x \cdot g(a)) \cdot g(a)$.

ii. $f(x) = g(x + \frac{1}{g(x)})$

iii. $f(x) = g(x)(x - a) = \underline{g'(x)(x-a)} + \underline{g(x)(x-a)'}$

iv) $f'(x) = g'(x+g(x)) \cdot \underline{(x+g(x))'} + \frac{g(x)^{-1}}{\underline{-g(x)^2}} \cdot g'(x)$

not relative to x .

Inverse Function Theorem

Let I be an open interval and let $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable and strictly monotonic. Then the inverse map $f^{-1}: f(I) \rightarrow I$ exists and is differentiable at all points $y \in f(I)$ for which $f'(f^{-1}(y)) \neq 0$.

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

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

$$(\tan x)' = \frac{1}{\cos^2 x}$$

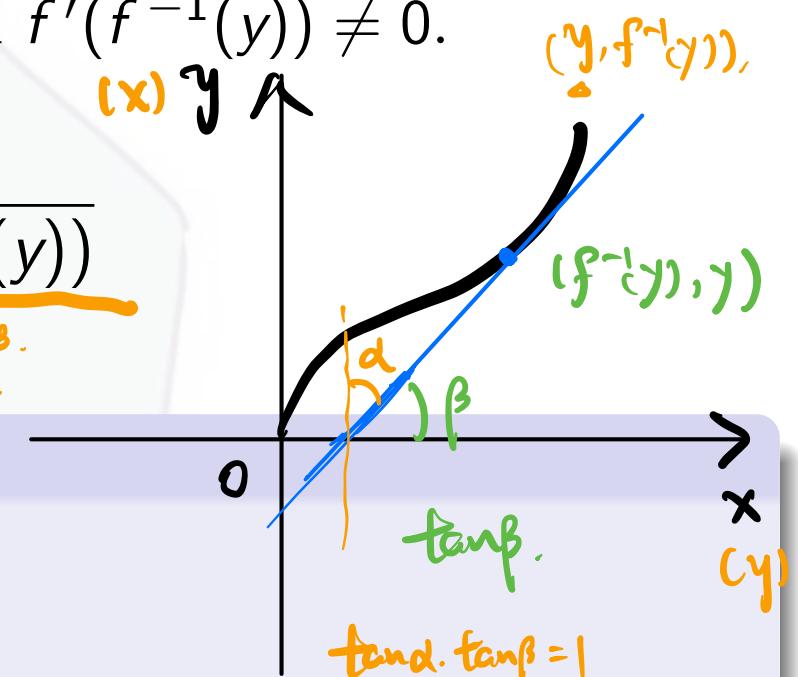
Demo $\left(\frac{\sin x}{\cos x}\right)' = \frac{\cos x \cdot \cos x + \sin x \cdot (-\sin x)}{(\cos x)^2}$

- Calculate $(\arctan x)'$
- Calculate $(\arcsin x)'$
- Calculate $(\arccos x)'$

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

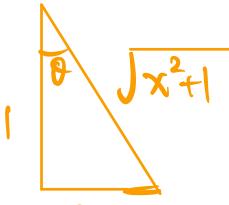
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$$f(x) = \arctan x. \quad x \xrightarrow{\text{arctan}} \arctan x.$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = \tan x \cdot \frac{1}{\cos^2(\arctan x)} \arctan x \xrightarrow{\text{arctan}} x$$



$$(\arctan x)' = \left(\frac{1}{\cos^2(\arctan x)} \right)^{-1} = \cos^2(\arctan x) = \frac{1}{x^2+1}$$

$$f(x) = \arcsin x. \quad x \xrightarrow{\text{arcsin}} \arcsin x$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = \sin x \cdot \frac{1}{\cos(\arcsin x)} \arcsin x \xrightarrow{\text{arcsin}} x \sqrt{1-x^2}$$



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

$$f(x) = \arccos x. \quad x \xrightarrow{\text{arccos}} \arccos x$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = \cos x \cdot -\frac{1}{\sin(\arccos x)} \arccos x \xrightarrow{\text{arccos}} x$$



$$(\arccos x)' = (-\sin(\arccos x))^{-1} = \frac{1}{-\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

L'Hopital's Rule

$\lim_{x \rightarrow b} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow b} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$, if $\lim_{x \rightarrow b} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{0}{0}$ or $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow b} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$ exists.

What is wrong?

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^3 - x - 2}{x^2 - 3x + 2} \stackrel{\substack{\longrightarrow -2 \\ \longrightarrow 0.}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{3x^2 - 1}{2x - 3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{6x}{2} = 3$$

Put a gun on your head: do write down the word "L'Hopital" !

L'Hopital's Rule Exercise

Calculate: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (\sin x)^x$

$$\begin{aligned} (\ln x)' &= \frac{1}{x} & e^{\ln(\sin x)^x} &= e^{x \ln \sin x} \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln \sin x}{\frac{1}{x}} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{\cos x}{\sin x}}{-\frac{1}{x^2}} & = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-x^2}{\tan x} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2x}{\frac{1}{\cos^2 x}} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Application of Differentiation

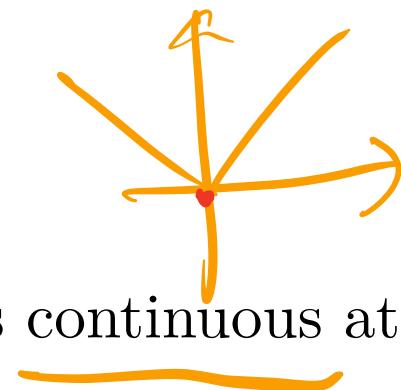
We list some useful Results and Theorems.

1. If a real function is differentiable at x , then it is continuous at x .
2. Hierarchy of local smoothness.

- ① Arbitrary function
- ② Function continuous at x
- ③ Function differentiable at x
- ④ Function continuously differentiable at x
- ⑤ Function twice differentiable at x
- ⑥ ...

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= x^2 \\f'(x) &= \underline{2x}\end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{f'(x)}$$

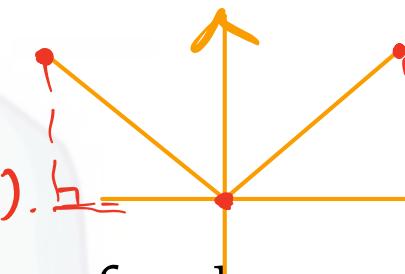


Application of Differentiation

Result and Theorems.

$f(x)$

(a, b)

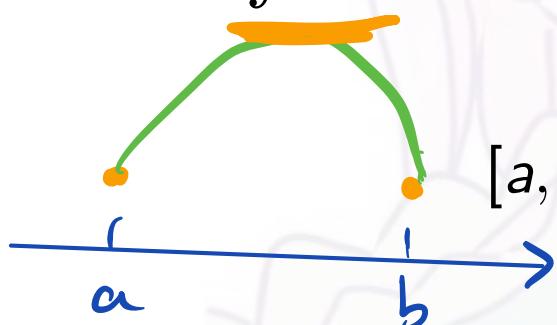


- ① $f' = 0$
- ② $\exists \exists$ boundary
- ③ not differentiable

3. Let f be a function and $(a, b) \subseteq \text{dom } f$ and open interval. If $x \in (a, b)$ is a maximum(or minimum) point of $f \subseteq (a, b)$ and if f is differentiable at x , then $f'(x) = 0$.

4. Let f be a function and $[a, b] \subseteq \text{dom } f$. Assume that f is differentiable on (a, b) and $f(a) = f(b)$. Then there is a number $x \in (a, b)$ such that $f'(x) = 0$. **Rolle Theorem.**

Comment. We need the requirement that f is **differentiable everywhere** on (a, b) . Otherwise, a counterexample can be:

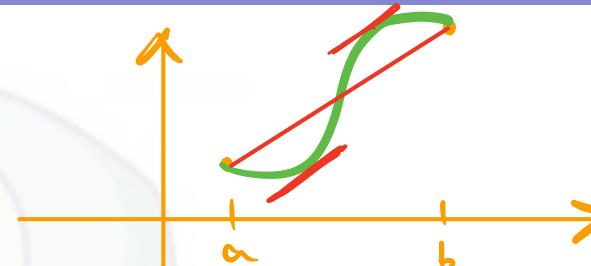


$$[a, b] = [0, 2],$$

$$\begin{cases} f(x) = x & x \in [0, 1] \\ f(x) = 2 - x & x \in (1, 2] \end{cases}$$

Application of Differentiation

Result and Theorems.



5. Let $[a, b] \subseteq \text{dom } f$ be a function that is continuous on $[a, b]$ and differentiable on (a, b) . Then there exists a number $x \in (a, b)$ such that $f'(x) = \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a}$. *mean value theorem.*

6. Let f be a real function and $x \in \text{dom } f$ such that $f'(x) = 0$. If $f''(x) > 0$, then f has a local minimum at x , if $f''(x) < 0$, then f has a local maximum at x . $f'(x) = 0$. x is called a critical point.

Comment $f'(x) < 0$. $f(x) \uparrow$.



The case in which $f''(x) = 0$ is more complicated, different conditions may occur.

Example 1: $f'(x) = x^2$. Example 2: $f'(x) = x^3$.

As you can see from example 2, f may not even have a local extremum if $f''(x) = 0$.

$f^{(1)}$ odd / even min/max.

Application of Differentiation

Result and Theorems.

7. Let f be a twice differentiable function on an open set $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}$. If f has a local minimum at some point $a \in \Omega$, then $f''(a) \geq 0$.

Proof :

Suppose f has a local minimum at a . If $f''(a) < 0$, then f would also have a local maximum at a . Thus, f would be constant in some interval containing a . So $f''(a) = 0$. But this contradicts to our assumption.

Comment. An analogous statement is : If f has a local maximum at some point $a \in \Omega$, then $f''(a) \leq 0$.

Exercise

3. This exercise aims to show that differentiation can also be used to prove sequential results. Recall the inequality (see also review 2)

$$|a + b|^n \leq 2^{n-1}(|a|^n + |b|^n) \quad \text{if } |a| = |b|. \\ (|a| + |b|)^n \leq 2^{n-1}(|a|^n + |b|^n) \quad (*).$$

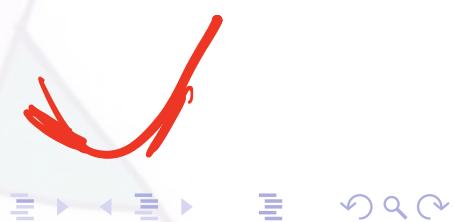
Now try to use differentiable function to prove it.

$$(1+t)^n \leq 2^{n-1}(1+(t^n)).$$

$$\underline{f(t) = 2^{n-1}(1+t^n) - (1+t)^n > 0.}$$

$$t=1 \quad \underline{f(t) \text{ min.}}$$

$$f'(t) = 0 \Rightarrow t=1 \\ t>1 \Rightarrow f'(t)>0$$



Exercise

(2min) Hint: Mean Value Theorem.

target.

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0. \exists \delta > 0, \forall |x_1 - x_2| < \delta, |\arctan x_1 - \arctan x_2| < \varepsilon$$
$$(\arctan x)' = \frac{1}{1+x^2}.$$

Prove that : $\arctan x$ is uniformly continuous in $(-\infty, \infty)$

$$x_1 < x_2. \exists t \in (x_1, x_2). f'(t) = \frac{f(x_1) - f(x_2)}{x_1 - x_2}$$

$$\exists t \in (x_1, x_2), \frac{1}{1+t^2} = \frac{\arctan x_2 - \arctan x_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

$$|\arctan x_2 - \arctan x_1| = \left| (x_2 - x_1) \frac{1}{1+t^2} \right| \leq |x_2 - x_1|$$

let. $\delta < \varepsilon$.

 $\forall \varepsilon$

Exercise

3min.

Hint : Rolle Theorem

4. Let f be a function and $[a, b] \subseteq \text{dom } f$. Assume that f is differentiable on (a, b) and $\underline{f(a) = f(b)}$. Then there is a number $x \in (a, b)$ such that $\underline{f'(x) = 0}$ **Rolle Theorem.**

Prove that if

$$\frac{a_0}{1} + \frac{a_1}{2} + \cdots + \frac{a_n}{n+1} = 0$$

Then $a_0 + a_1 x + \cdots + a_n x^n = 0$ for some $x \in [0, 1]$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{a_i}{i+1} x^{i+1} \leftarrow a_i x^i \\ & \frac{a_i}{i+1} x^{i+1} \stackrel{\Delta}{=} k \cdot x^{k-1} \quad \text{exist.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{f'(x)} = a_0 + a_1 x + \cdots + a_n x^n = 0$$

$$\underline{f(x)} = a_0 x + \frac{a_1}{2} x^2 + \cdots + \frac{a_n}{n+1} x^{n+1}$$

$$\begin{cases} f(0) = 0, & \exists t \in [0, 1] \\ f(1) = 0, & f'(t) = 0. \end{cases}$$

Exercise

3 min

$$f''(t) = \underbrace{f'(t)}_{=0} g(t) + \underbrace{f(t)}_{>0} > 0.$$

$$f(t) > 0. \text{ max. } f'(t) = 0.$$

↑ $f''(t) \leq 0 \in \text{local maximum}$



b. $\max_{[a,b]} f$ exist \star

$\star [a,b]$. Closed set + continuous \Rightarrow \min exist \star

Suppose that f satisfies $f'' + f'g - f = 0$ for some function g . Prove that if f is 0 at two distinct points, then f is 0 on the interval between them.

$$f(a) = 0, f(b) = 0, a < b$$

Proof by contradiction:

1° Suppose $\exists t. f(t) > 0$. Then because \downarrow max exists, and > 0 . Let $f(t)$ be the maximum. Then $f'(t) = 0$ Conclusion 3. Plug in $f'' + f'g - f = 0 \Rightarrow f''_{(t)} = f'_{(t)} g + f'_{(t)} = 0 + f'_{(t)} > 0$. ②

$$\exists t. f(t) < 0.$$

① and ② contradicts.

However, for a local maximum. $f''(t) \leq 0$. ① Conclusion 7

2° Suppose $\exists t. f(t) < 0$.

Exercise

Suppose $f: [0, n], n \in \mathbb{N}$ is a continuous function, and is differentiable on $(0, n)$. Furthermore, assume that

$$f(0) + f(1) + \cdots + f(n-1) = n, \quad f(n) = 1$$

Show that there must exist $c \in (0, n)$ such that $f'(c) = 0$.

prove existence + derivative 0
 \Rightarrow think about Rolle Theorem

\Rightarrow Target. exist t . $f(t) = 1$? if $f(t) = f(n) = 1$. $\exists c \in (t, n)$, $f'(c) = 0$.
suppose there's no t , such that $f(t) = 1$.
 $f(0) + f(1) + \cdots + f(n-1) = n$. There must exist some i, j . $f(i) > 1$ and $f(j) < 1$.
 $f(t) = 1$ otherwise all > 1 or all $< 1 \Rightarrow$ sum $> n$ or $< n$.



intermediate theorem.

Exercise

$\forall \varepsilon > 0$, let $\delta < (\frac{1}{k} \cdot \varepsilon)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}$ fix $x \in \Omega$.

$\forall y \in \Omega$, $|x-y| < \delta \Rightarrow |T(x) - T(y)| \leq k \cdot |x-y|^\alpha < \varepsilon$

In this exercise, we would like to give a deeper investigation of **Lipschitz condition**. If a real function $T: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfies

$$|T(x) - T(y)| \leq k \cdot |x - y|^\alpha$$

for any $x, y \in \Omega$, we say T satisfies "Lipschitz condition of order α ".

- ① Show that if $\alpha > 0$, then T is continuous.
- ② Show that if $\alpha > 1$, then T is a constant function, i.e.,

$$\left| \frac{T(x) - T(y)}{x - y} \right| \leq k \cdot |x - y|^{\alpha-1} \quad \exists C \in \mathbb{R} \quad T(x) = C$$

↑
the slope.

\Rightarrow when $y \rightarrow x$, $\left| \frac{T(x) - T(y)}{x - y} \right| \rightarrow 0$. $f'(x) = 0$ for all $x \in \Omega$.
So $T = \text{constant}$.

Reference

- Exercises from 2021-Vv186 TA-Niyinchen.

End



Thanks