

Derivatives

f a real-valued fn. on an interval

Let

~~If~~ $c \in J$ we say that f has a derivative at c

if $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}$ exists.

If this limit exists we denote it by $f'(c)$

Note

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

THEOREM If $f'(c)$ exist then fn. f is cont. s at c .

REMARK It is possible that $f'(c)$ does not exist even though f is cont. s at c

Example

$$f(x) = |x| \quad (-\infty < x < \infty)$$

then

$$\frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} = 1 \text{ if } x > 0$$

while

$$\frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} = -1 \text{ if } x < 0$$

Hence $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0}$ does not exist.

Thus $f(x)$ does not have a derivative at 0 but it is cont. s at 0 (~~Verify that!~~)

Example The function $g(x) = x^2$ is cont.s at each point in $[0, 1]$ but does not have a derivative at any pt. in $(0, 1)$.
 — Give an example of a fn. f which is cont.s everywhere on \mathbb{R} but $f'(a)$ does not exist at $a \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\cos 3^n x}{2^n} \quad (x \in \mathbb{R})$$

(Weierstrass example)

THEOREM Every differentiable function is cont.s.

□ For $x \neq c$ we have

$$f(x) - f(c) = \left\{ \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{(x - c)} \right\} (x - c)$$

 Now since $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \left\{ \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} \right\} = f'(c)$ & $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} (x - c) = 0$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \{f(x) - f(c)\} = 0 \\ \Rightarrow & \lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = f(c) \end{aligned}$$



POINTS

① If $f'(c) > 0$ the curve $y = f(x)$ is 'ascending' at c

② If $f'(c) < 0$ the curve $y = f(x)$ is 'descending' at c

③ If $f'(c) = 0$ the curve has a horizontal tangent at c .

$y = f(x)$

— If $f'(c)$ exist the curve is smooth at c .

Def: n^{th} derivative

$$f^{(n)}(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f^{(n-1)}(x) - f^{(n-1)}(c)}{x - c}$$

provided $f^{(n-1)}(x)$ exists & x in an interval containing c & provided the limit exists.
 \Rightarrow If $f^{(n)}(c)$ exists then $f^{(n)}$ is conts at c .

PRE-ROLLE'S

THEOREM

Let f be a conts real valued fn. on the closed bounded interval $[a, b]$. If the maximum value for f is attained at c , where $a < c < b$ and if

$f'(c)$ exists then $f'(c) = 0$

□ Suppose $f'(c) \neq 0$.

If $f'(c) > 0$ then $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} > 0$ & so

$$\frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} > 0 \quad \text{for } 0 < |x - c| < \delta_1$$

δ_1 is a suitable +ve no.

If $x \in (c, c + \delta_1)$ then $x - c > 0$ and hence

we have $f(x) - f(c) > 0$ This is a contradiction to the fact that f attains a max. at c .

If $f'(c) < 0$ then $\frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} < 0$ for $0 < |x - c| < \delta_2$

If $x \in (c - \delta_2, c)$ then $x - c < 0$ and hence $f(x) - f(c) > 0$ again a contradiction.

$$\Rightarrow f'(c) = 0$$



ROLLE'S THEOREM

Let f be a cont. s real-valued fn. on the closed bounded interval $[a, b]$ with

$f(a) = f(b) = 0$. If $\exists f'(x)$ exists for all x in (a, b) , then there is some point $c \in (a, b)$ where $f'(c) = 0$.

□ If $f \equiv 0$ on $[a, b]$ nothing to prove.

If $f(x) > 0$ for some $x \in (a, b)$

then the max. value of f on $[a, b]$ will not be attained at a or b (end points)
since $f(a) = f(b) = 0$

Note: If the real valued fn. f is cont. s on the closed bounded interval $[a, b]$ then f attains a max. or min. value at points of $[a, b]$

Hence f will attain a max value at some $c \in (a, b)$ Now the result follows from ~~PRE-~~ ROLLE'S THEOREM.

If $f(x) < 0$ ~~the~~ similar arguments holds both for PRE-ROLLE'S THEOREM & above ~~proof~~.

Example

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

f obeys ~~the~~ hypothesis of Rolles Thm.

with $a = -1, b = 1$

Here $f'(x) = -\frac{x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$ for $-1 < x < 1$

& f does not have a derivative at -1 or 1
and for this f , $c = 0$

$$\Rightarrow f'(c) = f'(0) = 0$$

Example

$$g(x) = 1 - |x| \quad (-1 \leq x \leq 1)$$

Then $g(-1) = g(1) = 0$ & g is conts
on $[-1, 1]$.

Also $g'(x)$ exists for all x in $(-1, 1)$
except at $x = 0$

$\therefore g$ obeys everything except fails to have
a derivative at 0 .

You can see that for such a fn. g
there is no c in $(-1, 1)$ for which

$$g'(c) = 0$$

LAW OF THE MEAN

If f is a cont. & s. fn. on the closed bounded interval $[a, b]$, and if $f'(x)$ exists for all x in (a, b) , then $\exists c \in (a, b)$ s.t.

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

Let

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

$\text{Satisfies } h(a) = 0 \text{ and } h(b) = 0 \quad (a \leq x \leq b)$

Then $h(a) = 0 = h(b)$ and this fn. obeys the other hypotheses of Rolle's theorem as well.

$$\Rightarrow \exists c \in (a, b) \text{ s.t. } h'(c) = 0$$

but $h'(c) = f'(c) - \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} = 0$

Q.E.D.

→ Fundamental theorem of Calculus?

TAYLOR'S THEOREM

Suppose $x \in J$ in some interval J , the function f may be expressed as

$$f(x) = A_0 + A_1(x-a) + A_2(x-a)^2 + \dots + A_n(x-a)^n + \dots \quad (1)$$

$$a \in J$$

we say that (1) is an expansion of f in powers of $(x-a)$.

How do you compute coeff. A_i ?

METHOD

Put $x=a$ in (1)

$$f(a) = A_0$$

differentiate both sides of (1)

$$f'(x) = A_1 + 2A_2(x-a) + 3A_3(x-a)^2 + \dots$$

& put $x=a$

$$f'(a) = A_1 \text{ & so on.}$$

$$f^{(n)}(a) = n! A_n$$

$$f(x) = f(a) + \frac{f'(a)}{1!}(x-a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!}(x-a)^2 + \dots$$

We have assumed

① $f'(x)$ exists

② the ~~derivative~~ of R.H.S. of (1)
can be computed by taking the derivative
separately. (even though there are ∞ terms)

For $a=0$ it is called MacLaurin series

What is the MacLaurin series for

$$f(x) = e^{-1/x^2}$$

$$f(x) = f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}(x-0) + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}(x-0)^n + R_{n+1}(x)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_{n+1}(x) = 0$$

[Lemma]:

Let f be a real-valued fn. on the interval $[a, a+h]$ s.t. $f^{(n+1)}$ exists & $x \in [a, a+h]$ & $f^{(n+1)}$ is cont.s on $[a, a+h]$.

$$\text{Let } R_{k+1}(x) = \frac{1}{k!} \int_a^x (x-t)^k f^{(k+1)}(t) dt$$

$$x \in [a, a+h]$$

$$k=0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$

then

$$R_k(x) - R_{k+1}(x) = \frac{f^{(k)}(a)}{k!} (x-a)^k$$

The same result holds $\forall x \in [a, a+h]$

& $[a, a+h]$ is replaced by $[a+h, a]$ if $h < 0$ $k=1, 2, \dots, n$.

□ Lemma can be proved by using integration by parts.

Taylor's Formula

Let f be a real-valued fn. on $[a, a+h]$

s.t. $f^{(n+1)}$ exists $\forall x \in [a, a+h]$ &

$f^{(n+1)}$ is cont.s on $[a, a+h]$ then

$$f(x) = f(a) + \frac{f'(a)}{1!} (x-a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!} (x-a)^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(a)(x-a)^n}{n!} + R_{n+1}(x)$$

where

$$R_{n+1}(x) = \frac{1}{n!} \int_a^x (x-t)^n f^{(n+1)}(t) dt$$

Example

$$g(x) = e^{-x} (x > 0)$$

$$g(0) = 0$$

$$g'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{g(x) - g(0)}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{e^{-x}}{x} = 0$$

(Why?)

Note $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^n}{e^x} = 0$ ($n \in \mathbb{N}$)

& $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{x^n e^{-x}} = 0$ ($n \in \mathbb{N}$)

$$\Rightarrow g^{(n)}(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R} \quad \text{and} \quad g^{(n)}(0) = 0$$

\therefore MacLaurin series for g is $\equiv 0$ &

\therefore does not \rightarrow to $g(x)$ for any $x > 0$.

This shows that existence of all derivatives of a fn. f at a pt. a does not imply

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(k)}(a)}{k!} (x-a) \text{ for any } x \neq a$$

$$(1+2+3+4) + 5 = 11$$

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(Fermat's) theorem

$$118 - 711 = (8, 2) b$$

so that

incorrect intermediate calculations

with respect to the value of $g'(0)$ and $g''(0)$

is responsible for the error.

so that $g'(0) = 0$ and $g''(0) = 0$

$$(1+2+3+4) + 5 = 11 \quad \text{so that does}$$

$\Rightarrow 118 - 711 = 47$ so that does not

$C[a, b] = \{ \text{set of cont. s real-valued fn. f on a closed interval } [a, b] \}$

Define: (Norm)

Let $f \in C[a, b]$

$$\|f\|_1 = \max_{a \leq x \leq b} |f(x)|$$

(norm of f)

- Verify that
- ① $\|f\| \geq 0$
 - ② $\|f\| = 0 \iff f(x) = 0 \quad (a \leq x \leq b)$
 - ③ $\|\lambda f\| = |\lambda| \|f\| \quad (\lambda \in \mathbb{R})$
 - ④ $\|f+g\| \leq \|f\| + \|g\|$

[Metric (distance)]

$$f, g \in C[a, b]$$

$$d(f, g) = \|f - g\|$$

distance

[The Weierstrass approximation theorem]

Let f be any fn. in $C[a, b]$. Then given $\epsilon > 0$, \exists a polynomial P

$$\text{defined as } P(x) = a_0 x^n + a_1 x^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1} x + a_n$$

such that

$$|P(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon \quad (a \leq x \leq b)$$

Note You can also write it as $\|P - f\| < \epsilon$