

Continuity and Differentiability.

A function f is continuous at $x=a$ if $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$.

在 $[a, b]$ 上连续, (a, b) 每一点都连续 a 上右连续, b 上左连续.

连续的函数: polynomials.

连续函数的加, 减, 乘, 嵌套依然连续.

中值定理: Intermediate Value Theorem.

If f is continuous on $[a, b]$, and $f(a) < 0$ and $f(b) > 0$, then there is at least one number c in (a, b) such that $f(c) = 0$.

eg: Any polynomial of odd degree has at least one root.

Max-Min Theorem: If f is continuous on $[a, b]$, then f has at least one maximum and one minimum on $[a, b]$.

Differentiability.

Displacement and velocity. Instantaneous velocity at time $t = \lim_{u \rightarrow t} v_{t \leftrightarrow u}$.

$f(t)$ = position of car at time t .

$$v_{t \leftrightarrow u} = \frac{\text{position at time } u - \text{position at } t}{u - t} = \frac{f(u) - f(t)}{u - t} \quad \text{令 } h = u - t, \text{ instantaneous velocity at time } t = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(t+h) - f(t)}{h}$$

tangent lines:

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \quad \text{如果极限存在, 则说 } f \text{ 在 } x \text{ 点可导 (differentiable).}$$

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

$$\Delta x = x_{\text{new}} - x \quad \Delta y = y_{\text{new}} - y = f(x_{\text{new}}) - f(x) = f(x + \Delta x) - f(x)$$

Δx means "change in x ". dx means "really really tiny change in x ".

$\frac{dy}{dx}$ the derivative of y with respect to x .

Second and higher-order derivatives.

$$f'(x) = \frac{dy}{dx}, \quad f''(x) = \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}, \quad f'''(x) = f^{(3)}(x) = \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} = \frac{d^3}{dx^3}(y)$$

$y = |x|$ 导数不存在, 但左导数或右导数存在.

Relationship between differentiability and continuity.

If a function f is differentiable at x , then it's continuous at x .

可导一定连续, 连续不一定可导.