

## Lecture 32, Nov. 18

**32.1 Theorem.** If  $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is increasing, then TFAE

1.  $f(x)$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$
2.  $f([a, b]) = [f(a), f(b)]$

**32.2 Corollary.** If  $f: [a, b]$  is strictly monotonic with inverse  $g: f([a, b]) \rightarrow [a, b]$  then  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  if and only if  $g$  is continuous on  $f([a, b])$ .

**32.3 Theorem** (Inverse Function Theorem). Assume that if  $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is strictly monotonic with inverse  $g: f([a, b]) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . If  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , differentiable on  $[a, b]$ , and if  $x_0 \in (a, b)$  with  $f'(x_0) \neq 0$  with  $y_0 = f(x_0)$ , then  $g$  is differentiable at  $y_0$  with

$$g'(y_0) = \frac{1}{f'(x_0)} = \frac{1}{f'(g(y_0))}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $\{y_n\} \subset f([a, b])$  with  $y_n \rightarrow y_0$ ,  $y_n \neq y_0$ . Let  $x_n = g(y_n) \in [a, b]$ . Since  $f$  and  $g$  are continuous,  $g(y_n) \rightarrow g(y_0) \Rightarrow x_n \rightarrow x_0$ . Then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{g(y_n) - g(y_0)}{y_n - y_0} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_n - x_0}{f(x_n) - f(x_0)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{f'(x_0)}.$$

By the Sequential Characterization of limits  $g'(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{f'(x_0)}$

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**32.4 Example.**  $f(x) = x^3$  and  $g(x) = x^{1/3}$ .

$$f'(0) = 0$$

$$g'(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{3x^{2/3}} & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ \text{does not exist} & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}$$

**32.5 Example** (Inverse Trig Functions).

1.  $\arcsin x$

$f(x) = \sin x$  on  $[-\pi/2, \pi/2]$ ,  $f(x)$  is strictly increasing  $\Rightarrow$  invertible on  $[-\pi/2, \pi/2]$ .

$$\sin([-\pi/2, \pi/2]) = [-1, 1].$$

Define  $g(x) = \arcsin(x)$  on  $[-1, 1]$  by  $g(y) = x$  iff  $\sin x = y$  for  $x \in [-\pi/2, \pi/2]$

If  $g(y) = \arcsin y$ . if  $y_0 \in (-1, 1)$ ,

$$g'(y_0) = \frac{1}{f'(x_0)} = \frac{1}{\cos x}.$$

where  $f(x) = \sin x$  and  $x_0 = \arcsin y_0$  and  $y_0 = \sin x_0$ ,  $x_0 \in (-\pi/2, \pi/2)$ . Since  $\cos x_0 = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 x_0} = \sqrt{1 - y_0^2}$ ,

$$g'(y_0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - y_0^2}}.$$

Note.  $\sin(\arcsin x) = x$  holds for  $x \in [-1, 1]$  while  $\arcsin(\sin x) = x$  Holds iff  $x \in [-\pi/2, \pi/2]$

2.  $\arctan x$

For each  $y \in \mathbb{R}$  define  $g(y) = \arctan y$  by  $g(y) = x$  iff  $\tan x = y$  for  $x \in (-\pi/2, \pi/2)$ . That is,

$$\arctan y : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

with  $\tan(\arctan y) = y$  for  $y \in \mathbb{R}$

Note that

$$\frac{d}{dx} \tan x = \sec^2 x = \frac{1}{\cos^2 x}$$

By the Inverse Function Theorem,

$$g'(y) = \frac{1}{f'(x)} = \frac{1}{\sec^2 x} = \frac{1}{\sec^2(\arctan y)} = \frac{1}{1 + \tan^2(\arctan y)} = \frac{1}{1 + y^2}$$

3.  $\arccos y$   $\cos(x)$  is 1-1 on  $[0, \pi]$

*Note.*  $\cos([0, \pi]) = [-1, 1]$

For each  $y \in [-1, 1]$  define  $g(y) = x$  iff  $y = \cos x$  for  $x \in [0, \pi]$

$$g'(y) = \frac{1}{-\sqrt{1-y^2}}$$