

# Recitation 2

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## 1 One-to-one Functions (Injective Functions)

A function  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is one-to-one if  $\forall x, y \in A, f(x) = f(y) \Rightarrow x = y$ .

## 2 Onto Functions

$f : A \rightarrow B$  is onto  $B$  if  $\forall y \in B, \exists x \in A$ , s.t.  $f(x) = y$ .

## 3 Strictly Monotonically Increasing Functions

A function is strictly monotonically increasing if  $\forall x, y \in D(f)$ , s.t.,  $x < y, f(x) < f(y)$ .

A strictly monotonically increasing function is always one-to-one.

## 4 Inverse Functions

If  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is one-to-one and onto, we can define a function  $f^{-1} : B \rightarrow A$ , s.t.  $f^{-1}(f(x)) = x$  and  $f(f^{-1}(y)) = y$ .  
 $f^{-1}$  is called the inverse function of  $f$ .

## 5 Check which of the following functions are one-to-one and find their inverses

**5.1**  $f(x) = e^{e^x}$

$f(x)$  is strictly monotonically increasing. Hence, it is one-to-one.

$$I(f) = D(f^{-1}) = (0, \infty)$$

$$y = e^{e^x}$$

$$\therefore \ln y = e^x$$

$$\therefore \ln \ln y = x$$

$$\therefore f^{-1}(x) = \ln \ln x$$

$$D(f^{-1}) = (1, \infty)$$

**5.2**  $f(x) = 1 - x^3$

If  $f(x) = f(y)$ ,

$$1 - x^3 = 1 - y^3$$

$$\therefore x^3 = y^3$$

$$\therefore x = y$$

Therefore,  $f(x)$  is one-to-one over  $\mathbb{R}$

$$\begin{aligned}y &= 1 - x^3 \\ \therefore x^3 &= 1 - y \\ \therefore x &= \sqrt[3]{1 - y}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore f^{-1}(x) &= \sqrt[3]{1 - x} \\ D(f^{-1}) &= \mathbb{R}\end{aligned}$$

**5.3**  $f(x) = \frac{x}{1+x}; x \neq -1$

$$\begin{aligned}y &= \frac{x}{1+x} \\ \Leftrightarrow y(1+x) &= x \\ \Leftrightarrow y + xy &= x \\ \Leftrightarrow x &= \frac{y}{1-y}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore f^{-1}(x) &= \frac{x}{1-x} \\ D(f^{-1}) &= \mathbb{R} - \{1\}\end{aligned}$$

## 6 Composition of Functions

If  $f : A \rightarrow B, g : C \rightarrow D$  and  $B \subseteq C$ , then we can define the composition  $d \circ f : A \rightarrow D$  as  $(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x))$ .

## 7 Limits of Functions

Let  $f$  be defined in a punctured neighbourhood of  $x_0$ .  
Then the limit of  $f$  at  $x_0$  is  $l$ . It is denoted as  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = l$ .

If  $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0$ , s.t. if  $|x - x_0| > \delta$  then,  $|f(x) - l| < \varepsilon$

**7.1 Prove:**  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (2x + 5) = 7$

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . We have to find  $\delta$ , s.t. if  $|x - 1| < \delta$ , then,  $|2x + 5 - 7| < \varepsilon$ .

$$\begin{aligned}|2x + 5 - 7| &= |2x - 2| \\ &= 2|x - 1|\end{aligned}$$

Hence, if we take  $d = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ , we have the following.

If  $|x - 1| < \delta$ , then  $|f(x) - 7| = |2x + 5 - 7| = 2|x - 1| < 2\delta = 2\frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon$ .

Therefore,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (2x + 5) = 7$

**7.2 Prove:**  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{2x + 6}{3x - 1} = 2$

We want  $\delta$  s.t.

if  $|x - 2| < \delta$  then  $\left| \frac{2x + 6}{3x - 1} - 2 \right| < \varepsilon$

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{2x + 6}{3x - 1} - 2 \right| &= \left| \frac{2x + 6 - 2(3x - 1)}{3x - 1} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{-4x + 8}{3x - 1} \right| \\ &= \frac{4|x - 2|}{|3x - 1|} \end{aligned}$$

We can always take  $\delta \leq 1$

$$\therefore \left| \frac{2x + 6}{3x - 1} - 2 \right| < \frac{1}{2} 4|x - 2| < 2\delta = \varepsilon$$

Take  $\delta = \min\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2}, 1\right)$ .

Then, if  $|x - 2| < \delta$ , then

$$|f(x) - l| = \left| \frac{2x + 6}{3x - 1} - 2 \right| = \frac{4|x - 2|}{|3x - 1|}$$