Calculus



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Why Calculus in Machine Learning

Why Calculus for Machine Learning

- Framework for understanding complex systems
- Theoretical foundation for ML algorithms
 - E.g. gradient descent optimization; backpropagation



- Optimize ML algorithms
 - E.g. loss function (accuracy of prediction)
- Calculate derivatives and integrals
 - Understand functions and data



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Famous Mathematical Series

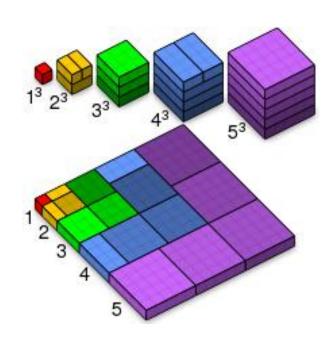
- Faulhaber's formula

$$\Sigma_{k=1}^{\mathrm{m}} k = \frac{m (m+1)}{2}$$

$$\Sigma_{k=1}^{m} k^2 = \frac{m(m+1)(2m+1)}{6} = \frac{m^3}{3} + \frac{m^2}{2} + \frac{m}{6}$$

$$\Sigma_{k=1}^{m} k^3 = \left[\frac{m(m+1)}{2} \right]^2 = \frac{m^4}{4} + \frac{m^3}{2} + \frac{m^2}{4}$$

Proof without words



Bernoulli numbers

- A sequence of rational numbers which occur frequently in data analysis
- Useful in modeling data and approximating functions
- Bernoulli polynomials: used for series expansion & approximation of highdimensional polynomials

$$\frac{x}{e^x - 1} \equiv \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{B_n x^n}{n!}.$$

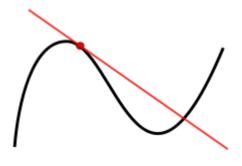
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 $\frac{\delta y}{\delta x}$

- Derivative = rate of change



 Describes by "how much, will a function change when its input will change?



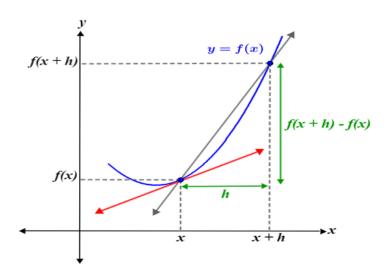
 ML application: adjust parameters to minimize "loss," (e.g., gradient descent or chain rule)

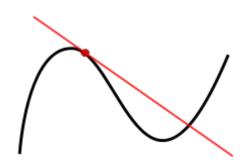


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$$- f'(x) = \lim_{h \to 0} \left(\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \right)$$





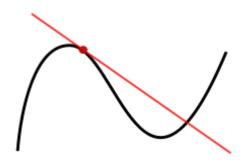




Derivatives of functions

- Linear functions $(a \cdot x + b) \rightarrow constant$
- Power functions (x^a)

Logarithmic functions







Rules of derivatives

- **Sum rule** of derivatives
 - $h(x) = f(x) + g(x) \rightarrow h'(x) = f'(x) + g'(x)$
 - ML example: derivative of cost function is the sum of individual loss functions for each data point

- Product rule of derivatives
 - $h(x) = f(x) \cdot g(x) \rightarrow h'(x) = f'(x) \cdot g(x) + g'(x) \cdot f(x)$
 - ML example: optimization process (taking derivative of combined functions)

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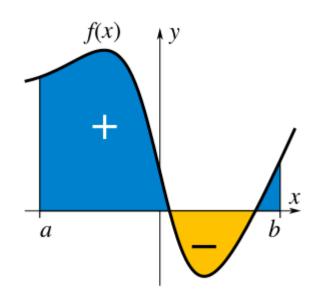
- Chain rule of derivatives
 - Derivative of a composite function, e.g. f(g(x))
 - Take into account the effect of both functions
 - ML application: compute gradients of a neural network (the backpropagation algorithm)
- Formula
 - Let u = g(x) and y = f(u), then $\frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \frac{\delta y}{\delta u} \cdot \frac{\delta u}{\delta x} = f'(u) \cdot g'(x)$
 - In Leibniz notation: $\frac{\delta}{dx} f(g(x)) = f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)$

$$\int_{1}^{n} x$$

- Derivative = contigious analog of a sum

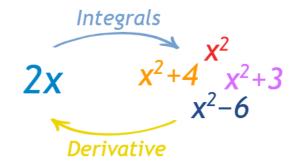
Find area under a curve

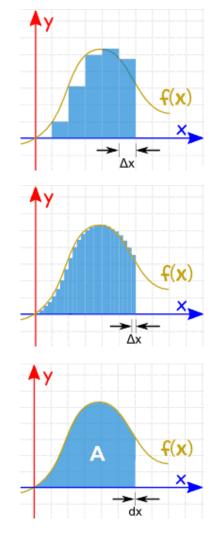
 ML application: probability density functions or optimization



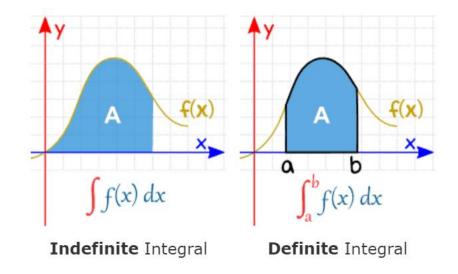
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- Integrals are the **reverse** of derivatives





- Definite **vs** indefinite integrals



 Definite integrals have actual values to calculate within

Integrals: basic formulas

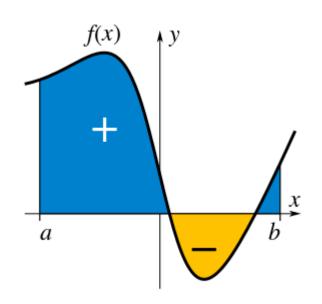
$$- \int 1 dx = x + C$$

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$$\int a \, dx = ax + C$$

$$- \int x^n dx = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + C$$

$$- \int \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln|x| + C$$

$$- \int a^x dx = \frac{a^x}{\ln a} + C$$



Any questions?

