

calculus

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Lec 1

What is derivative:

Geometric:

The derivative of a function at a point is the slope of the tangent line to the graph at that point.

$$\text{Slope} = \frac{y_1 - y_0}{x_1 - x_0},$$

{How much function changes if we move 1 unit}

Physical:

It tells how a function changes

If $f(x)$ is a function then $f'(x)$ is how that function changes
 $f'(x)$ maps changes in slope of $f(x)$

Exmple:

- Velocity = derivative of position w.r.t. time
- Acceleration = derivative of velocity w.r.t. time
- Current: derivative of charge with respect to time

Notation:

Limit $x \rightarrow 0$ means it approaches to zero, very very close to zero but not zero exactly

Formula:

$$f'(x) = \lim_{d \rightarrow 0} : \left(\frac{f(x+d) - f(x)}{d} \right)$$

Derivative of $1/x = -1/(x^2)$

Derivative of $x^n = n * x^{(n-1)}$

LEC 2

Average Vs instantaneous rate of change:

- Average rate of change: change over in a interval
Geometrically: It's the **slope of the secant line** connecting two points on the graph.
{A **secant line** is a **straight line** that passes through **two points** on a curve.}
- Instantaneous rate of change:
Change at specific instance, very very small interval
Geometrically: It's the **slope of the tangent line** at a single point.
- **not all derivatives (rates of change) are with respect to time.**
 - Example: error rate when calculating distance with GPS
 - H is measured, L is deduced from H

This is the **rate of change of length** with respect to **height**.

" $\frac{dL}{dH}$, How sensitive is the length to small changes in the height?"

Right hand limit, Left Hand limit

- Left hand limit:

Lim $x \rightarrow a^-$: $f(x)$

What value is the function trying to become **just before** hitting a from left side

- Right hand limit:

Lim $x \rightarrow a^+$: $f(x)$

What value is the function trying to become **just before** hitting a from right side

★ limit at $x=a$ exists **only if both one-sided limits exist and are equal**

Continuity at a Point

For a function to be **continuous** at $x=a$, 3 things must be true:

1. ☒ $f(a)$ is defined (no hole or gap)
2. ☒ limit exists, (LHL = RHL)
3. ☒ $f(a) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$

Limit exists AND equals actual value \Rightarrow Continuous

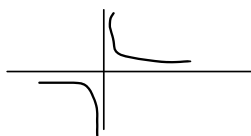
1) Jump discontinuity, both LHL and RHL exists, but they are not equal

2) Removable discontinuity: LHL = RHL but function is undefined at a , that is $f(a)$ is undefined (singularity is a point where a function becomes **undefined**, **infinite**, or **not smooth**.)

3) Infinite discontinuity:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (1/x) = \infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} (1/x) = -\infty$$

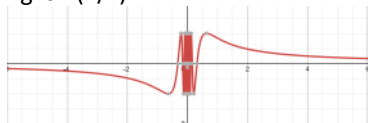


$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1/x) = \infty$, is simply wrong, because which side limit we talking about?

4) Ugly discontinuity:

it refers to a situation where a function exhibits wild behavior near a point, such as rapid oscillations, making the limit at that point difficult to handle

Eg: $\sin(1/x)$



Odd function: $f(-x) = -f(x)$

Even function $f(-x) = f(x)$

Even function are symmetric across Y axis

LEC 3:

Some common derivative formulas

Proof of why $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1$

{draw a circle, know that if theta is in radian, we can directly calculate arc length: arc length = theta * radius

If x is very small, arc length \approx sine, so it's 1, (sine is vertical line from base radius to point of intersection of moving radius of theta