

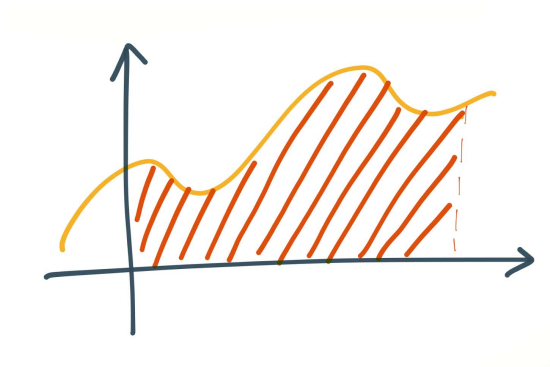
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Syllabus

The course supplies a firm grounding to A-level topics such as differentiation, integration, complex numbers and series expansions.

Functions

Polynomial, rational, exponential, logarithmic, trigonometric and hyperbolic functions. Odd, even and inverse functions.

Limits

Basic properties and evaluation. Continuity & discontinuous functions.

Differentiation

First principles, differentiability; logarithmic and implicit differentiation; higher derivatives; Leibniz's formula; stationary points and points of inflexion; curve sketching; parametric representation, polar co-ordinates.

Power Series

The Mean Value Theorem. Taylor's Theorem with remainder. Infinite power series, radius of convergence. Ratio test; Taylor and Maclaurin Series. De l'Hopital's rule.

Integration

Definition as Riemann limit; indefinite & definite integrals; the fundamental theorem of calculus; integration by substitution and by parts; partial fractions; Existence of improper and infinite integrals. Integrals over areas and volumes.

Complex Numbers

Definition; the complex plane; standard and polar representation; de Moivre's Theorem; $\exp(z)$ and $\log(z)$

First order Differentiation Equations

Separable, homogeneous and linear equations. Special cases. Linear higher order equations with constant coefficients,

Course content at <http://www.ma.ic.ac.uk/~ajm8/M1M1>

Appropriate books

G. Stephenson *Mathematical Methods for Science Students*

E. Kreyszig *Advanced Engineering Mathematics*

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0 Introduction

Lecture 0

Example 0.1. Consider the definition of the exponential function:

$$\begin{aligned}\exp(x) &= 1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \dots \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}\end{aligned}$$

So $e^{100} = 1 + 100 + \frac{1}{2}100^2 + \frac{1}{6}100^3 + \dots \approx 0$

Is this really true?

Yes, but this is not obvious. The series converges (i.e. tends to an answer) for all x . We will see this later...

Example 0.2. $f = \frac{4}{3 + \cos x}$

Can we write the power series $f = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots = \sum a_nx^n$ where a_n are known constants?

Yes, we find (somehow) that $f = 1 + \frac{x^2}{8} + \frac{x^4}{192} + \dots$

Does this series converge? Using Maple to find the series and plotting $f - \sum_0^{200} a_nx^n$, we actually find that at ± 3.60 ish, the difference is non-zero and it fails to converge. This is (apparently) amazing evidence of the existence of the complex plane...

Example 0.3 (Limits).

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\sin x) = ?$, it is undefined.

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\sin x}{x} \right) = 0$, from the sandwich theorem as 0 is squeezed between $\frac{1}{x}$ and $-\frac{1}{x}$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{x \sin x} \right) = ?$, undefined once more, since whenever $x = n\pi$, the denominator is 0.

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\sin n}{n} \right)$, $n \in \mathbb{R}$ is not at all obvious (depends on how well you can approximate π)

Clearly we have work to do....

1 Functions

A function takes an “input” and gives a *unique* output: $f(x) : x \in \mathbb{R}$. $f(x)$ is the output or function value at x . $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ (alternative notation: f “maps” input $\in \mathbb{R}$ to output $\in \mathbb{R}$). f may not be defined for all reals. A function *should* be defined along with the *domain* of values over which it applies, e.g.:

Lecture 1

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 - 1} \text{ for } x \geq 1$$

Definition. $[a, b]$ means $\forall x : a \leq x \leq b$, (a, b) means $\forall x : a < x < b$. These are called *closed* and *open* intervals respectively.

So $x \geq 1$ could be written as $x \in [1, \infty)$. By convention ∞ is never a closed interval since it is not a real number.

Definition. We also define the *range* of a function to be the set of possible values $f(x)$ as it takes values of the domain.

So $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 - 1}$ in $[1, \infty)$ has the *range* $[0, \infty)$.

Note: $\sqrt{}$ is always positive conventionally, otherwise it maps to more than one value $\implies f$ is not a function. Hence $\sqrt{x^2} = |x|$, *not necessarily* x .

How might we define functions?

- (i) An explicit formula, e.g. $f(x) = x^2 \sin(x)$

As the domain is not given, we assume it applies for all x or all sensible x .

e.g. $f(x) = \frac{x+2}{x-1}$ “sensible” here means $x \neq 1$

- (ii) Split ranges, e.g.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x > 1 \\ \sin(x^2) & \text{if } 0 < x \leq 1 \\ e^x & \text{if } x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

- (iii) As a solution to an equation

e.g. $f'' + x^2 f = 0$, $f(0) = 1$, $f'(0) = 0$ *may* define a function

Similarly we could define $f(x) = \int_0^x t^t dt$

(Note: we use a different letter for the *dummy* variable, t)

- (iv) In words

e.g. $f(x) =$ “the maximum amount by which x exceeds an integer for $n = 1, 2, \dots, 100$ ”

(v) An implicit definition

e.g. $f(x)$ given by $f(x) + \frac{1}{2} \sin[f(x)] = x$

(or $y + \sin y = x$: we can't solve for y in terms of x easily) given x , not easy to calculate $f(x)$

(vi) As a limit

e.g. $x^{x^{x^{\dots}}}$ or more formally: $f_1 = x^x$, $f_{n+1} = x^{f_n}$ for $n \geq 1$

If this process tends to a limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$ we may have defined a function.

... And so on. There are lots of ways of defining functions.

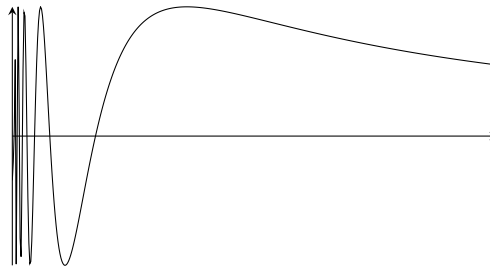
How many functions are there?

It turns out it's (a very large...) infinity (see M1F, there are different sizes of "infinities")

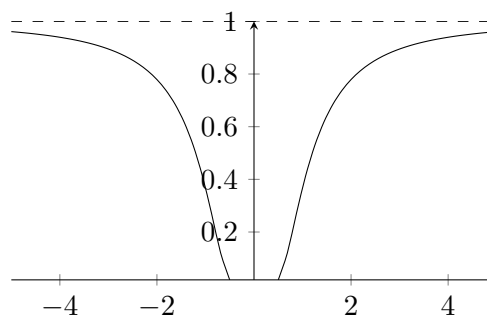
Most functions are ~~horrible~~ horrendous. Even ones which look nice can be nasty...

Example 1.1. $f(x) = \begin{cases} \sin(\frac{1}{x}) & x \neq 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \end{cases}$

The graph crosses the x -axis an infinite number of times between $[0, n]$:



Example 1.2. $f(x) = e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}}$



$f(x)$ is so flat at zero that the Macluarin (Taylor) Series converges to 0. This is NOT the right answer. We then call this a non-analytical function.

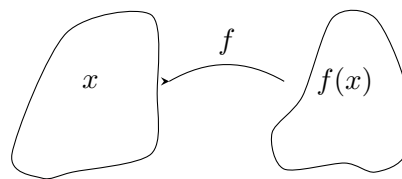
Example 1.3. $f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(n^4 x)}{n^2} = \sin x + \frac{\sin 16x}{4} + \frac{\sin 81x}{9} + \dots$

This function is continuous everywhere, differentiable nowhere.

Inverse functions

Lecture 2

Suppose we have a function f



Definition. If it is possible to find a function $g(f(x)) = x \quad \forall x$ in domain of f , then g is called the *inverse* of f . It's often denoted as f^{-1} .

The domain of $f =$ the range of f^{-1} , and the range of $f =$ the domain of f^{-1}

Do inverses always exist?

Clearly not if (\geq) two x values give the same value of $f(x) = y$ say. As we cannot determine a unique x value given y . In practice, we try to solve $f(x) = y$ for x . This may find the inverse or tell us that there is a problem.

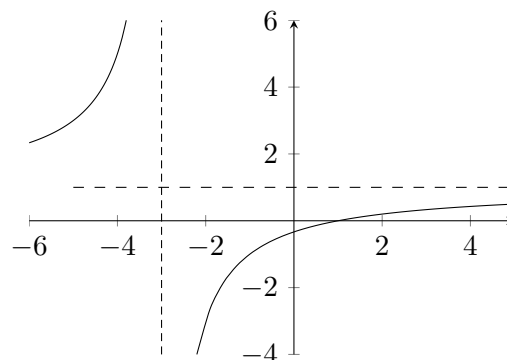
Example 1.4. Find the inverse of $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{x+3} \quad (x \neq -3)$

$$y = \frac{x-1}{x+3}$$

$$\implies y(x+3) = x-1$$

$$\implies x(y-1) = -3y-1$$

$$\implies x = \frac{3y+1}{1-y} = f^{-1}(y)$$



The graph $y = f(x)$ helps us understand what is going on. So we sketch it, noting that $y = \frac{x-1}{x+3} = 1 - \frac{4}{x+3}$. For inverse to exist, all lines $y = \text{constant}$ must intersect $y = f(x)$ ~~once~~ once and only once, which is clearly the case.

Example 1.5. Does f^{-1} exist for $y = x + \frac{1}{x} = f(x)$?

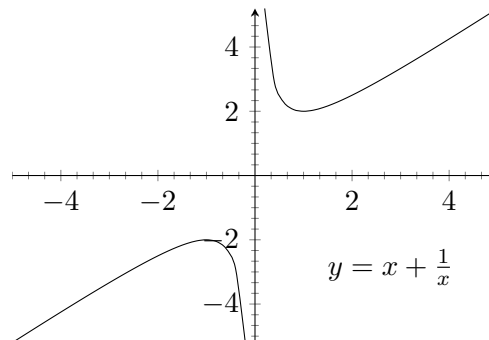
Note that if $x = 2$, then $f(2) = 2.5$, but $f(\frac{1}{2}) = 2.5$ also... maybe if we restrict the domain of f , we can find a sensible inverse. Lets try $y = x + \frac{1}{x}$

$$\begin{aligned} \implies xy &= x^2 + 1 \\ \implies x^2 - xy + 1 &= 0 \\ \implies x &= \frac{y \pm \sqrt{y^2 - 4}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Which root should we take?

Sketching $f(x)$, we can note that $y = k$ intersects the graph:

$$\begin{cases} \text{Not at all} & -2 < k < 2 \\ \text{Once} & k = \pm 2 \\ \text{Twice} & k > 2 \text{ or } k < -2 \end{cases}$$



Suppose we restrict the domain of f to be $|x| \leq 1$ (excluding $x = 0$). Then we can define the inverse function:

$$f^{-1}(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{y - \sqrt{y^2 - 4}}{2} & \text{if } y \geq 2 \\ \frac{y + \sqrt{y^2 - 4}}{2} & \text{if } y \leq -2 \end{cases}$$

If instead we restrict the domain of f to be $|x| \geq 1$ then:

$$f^{-1}(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{y + \sqrt{y^2 - 4}}{2} & \text{if } y \geq 2 \\ \frac{y - \sqrt{y^2 - 4}}{2} & \text{if } y \leq -2 \end{cases}$$

So a little care is required.

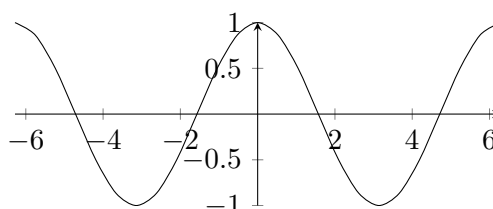
Trigonometric Functions

Trigonometry: trigonometron - The Measuring of Triangles

Later we will define $\cos(x)$, $\sin(x)$, $\tan(x)$, but you already know them.

Inverse Cosine

If $f(x) = \cos(x)$ then $f^{-1}(x) = \cos^{-1}(x)$ (or $\arccos(x)$) exists for some x and some agreed domain of $f(x)$.

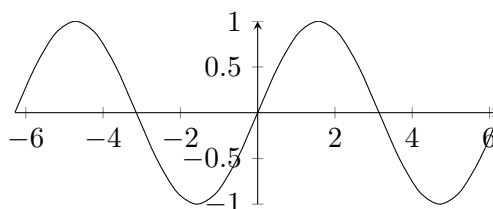


The natural domain to restrict is $0 \leq x \leq \pi$. Then $\cos^{-1}(y)$ exists uniquely, provided $|y| \leq 1$. Now remove the restrictions on x . Solve the equation $\cos x = \alpha$:

General solution: $x = 2n\pi \pm \cos^{-1} \alpha \quad (n \in \mathbb{Z})$

But remember $0 \leq \cos^{-1} \leq \pi$ always!

Inverse Sine



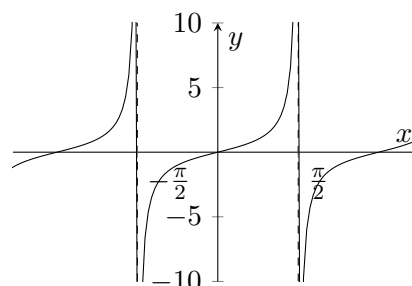
We restrict $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$ i.e. $|x| \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$. Then the inverse function $\sin^{-1} y$ exists, if $|y| \leq 1$. So $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \sin^{-1} \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$. Then the equation $\sin x = \beta$ has the general solution:

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 2n\pi + \sin^{-1} \beta \text{ if } n \text{ is even} \\ x &= 2n\pi - \sin^{-1} \beta \text{ if } n \text{ is odd} \\ \implies x &= 2n\pi + (-1)^n \sin^{-1} \beta \quad (n \in \mathbb{Z}) \end{aligned}$$

Inverse Tan

We restrict $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \tan^{-1} y \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$ defined $\forall y$.
So finally $\tan x = \gamma$ has general solution:

$$x = n\pi + \tan^{-1} \gamma$$



Parity - Even & Odd Functions

Lecture 3

Definition. A function $f(x)$ defined over a symmetric domain (i.e. $[-a, a]$) is called even $\iff f(-x) = f(x)$ and odd $\iff f(-x) = -f(x)$

e.g. x^2 is even, $\sin x$ is odd. Functions need not be even or odd. But any function (over a symmetric domain) can be written as the sum of an even function & an odd function.

Example 1.6.

$$\frac{x}{x+1} = \frac{x}{x+1} \frac{(x-1)}{(x-1)} = \underbrace{\frac{x^2}{x^2-1}}_{\text{Even}} - \underbrace{\frac{x}{x^2-1}}_{\text{Odd}}$$

Example 1.7.

$$\cos(x+3) = \underbrace{\cos x \cos 3}_{\text{Even}} - \underbrace{\sin x \sin 3}_{\text{Odd}}$$

In general, how do we write $f(x) = f_e(x) + f_o(x)$?

$$f(x) = f_e(x) + f_o(x) \tag{1}$$

$$\implies f(-x) = f_e(-x) + f_o(-x)$$

$$\implies f(-x) = f_e(x) - f_o(x) \tag{2}$$

Solving (1) and (2) by adding:

$$\implies f_e(x) = \frac{1}{2}[f(x) + f(-x)]$$

Similarly

$$f_o(x) = \frac{1}{2}[f(x) - f(-x)]$$

To prove that we can always find these two functions, start again from other way:

Define f_e and f_o as above, note:

- (i) f_e is even
- (ii) f_o is odd
- (iii) $f_e + f_o = f$

This proves that any f has an even part and an odd part.

Example 1.8. Redo Example 1.6. $f(x) = \frac{x}{x+1} = f_e(x) + f_o(x)$

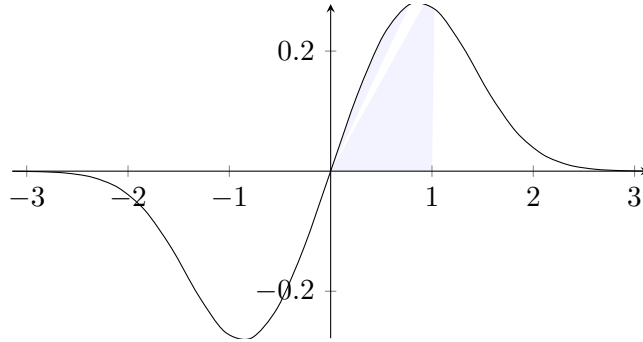
$$\begin{aligned} \implies f_e(x) &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{x}{x+1} + \frac{-x}{1-x} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{x - x^2 - x^2 - x}{(1+x)(1-x)} \right] = \frac{-x^2}{1-x^2} = \frac{x^2}{x^2-1} \end{aligned}$$

Evaluating Integrals

Parity is a great help when evaluating integrals.

What is $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{x + \sin(x^3)}{1 + e^{x^2}} dx$?

Replacing x by $-x$ we can see that the integrand is an odd function since $f(-x) = -f(x)$. Hence the Integral = 0.



Proposition 1.9. In general $I = \boxed{\int_{-a}^a f_o(x) dx = 0}$

Proof. Substituting $t = -x$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow I &= \int_a^{-a} f_o(-t) (-dx) \\ &= \int_{-a}^a f_o(-t) (dx) \quad [\text{Use - sign to swap limits}] \\ &= -I \end{aligned}$$

Hence $I = -I \Rightarrow I = 0$. We conclude that if $f(x)$ is odd, then $\int_{-a}^a f(x) dx = 0$. ■

Later we will deal with power series $f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots$, where a_i is a given constant for $i \in \mathbb{N}$.

If $f(x)$ is even then $a_1 = 0, a_3 = 0$ etc., i.e. $a_{\text{odd}} = 0$. If $f(x)$ is odd then $a_0 = 0, a_2 = 0$ etc., i.e. $a_{\text{even}} = 0$. So even/odd functions only have even/odd powers of x .

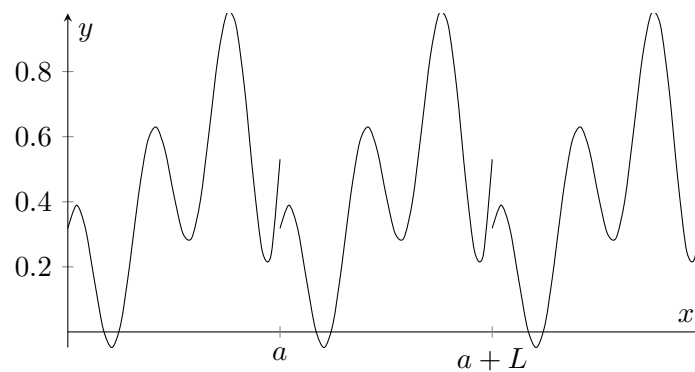
Periodicity

Definition. We say a function $f(x)$ is T -periodic if and only if $f(x+T) = f(x) \forall x$, where $T > 0$ and T is the smallest value for which this holds.

So although $\sin(x + 4\pi) = \sin x \forall x$, we do not say that $\sin x$ is 4π periodic, as $\sin(x + 2\pi) = \sin(x)$ as well.

$f(x)$	period
$\cos^2 x$	π
$\cos x $	2π
$ \cos x $	π
$\sin(\alpha x)$	$\frac{2\pi}{\alpha}$ ($\alpha \neq 0$)
3	depends on definition, say period = 0 & change definition
$\sin x $	not periodic
$ \sin x $	π

Are there any other periodic functions (other than the trigonometric ones)?



We can turn any function into a periodic one. Any function defined on a finite interval can be extended into a periodic function over all \mathbb{R} by copying. Define $f(x + L) = f(x)$ to replicate the behaviour $\forall x$.

Polynomials

Lecture 4

Definition. An n th order polynomial in x is a function of the form:

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^N a_n x^n$$

where $a_N \neq 0$. N is called the *degree* or *order* of the polynomial. a_n for $n = 0, \dots, N$ are called the coefficients. If a_n is real $\forall n$, we say the polynomial is real (even if x may be complex).

Theorem 1.10: The Fundamental Theorem of Algebra

Every polynomial has a root (possibly complex). In general, we call a value α a root of $f(x)$ if $f(\alpha) = 0$.

Proof. See next year's course M2PM3 COMPLEX ANALYSIS.

Corollary 1.11. *If c is a root of an N th order polynomial $P_N(x)$, then we can write $P_N(x) = (x - c)P_{N-1}(x)$.*

Corollary 1.12. *Every N th order polynomial has precisely N roots, allowing for repeated roots. e.g. $(x - 1)^2$ has roots $1, 1$.*

Corollary 1.13. *If $P(x)$ is a real polynomial with a complex root $\alpha + i\beta$ (α, β real, $\beta \neq 0$), then it also has root $\alpha - i\beta$ (the complex conjugate).*

Corollary 1.14. *Every real polynomial can be written as:*

$$P_N(x) = A(x - r_1)(x - r_2)\dots(x - r_M)((x - \alpha_1)^2 + \beta_1^2)((x - \alpha_2)^2 + \beta_2^2)\dots((x - \alpha_L)^2 + \beta_L^2)$$

Where $r_1 \dots r_M$ are the real roots, and $(\alpha \pm i\beta), \dots (\alpha_L \pm i\beta_L)$ are the complex roots and $M + 2L = N$

i.e. Any real polynomial can be written as a product of real linear and quadratic factors.

N.B. If the polynomial is not real (i.e. if at least one coefficient is strictly complex), then the complex roots need not be in conjugate pairs.

Roots of polynomials

- Linear: $ax + b = 0$, one trivial root
- Quadratic: $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

$$\text{Formula: } x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \quad \underline{\text{OR}} \quad x = \frac{2c}{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}$$

Exercise 1: Show these are the same.

Exercise 2: Use your calculator to solve the equation $\epsilon x^2 + (1 + \epsilon)x + 1 = 0$, where ϵ is very small (i.e. 10^{-12}).

Subtracting two numbers which are very close together leads to severe accuracy loss c.f. Patriot missiles. The “Best” formula to solving a quadratic depends on a, b and c in practice.

- Cubics: $ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d = 0$

There is a formula¹, but it has very little practical use.

- Quartics: $ax^4 + bx^3 + cx^2 + dx + e = 0$

There is also a general formula... once again not worth knowing²

$$^1 x = \sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{-b^3}{27a^3} + \frac{bc}{6a^2} - \frac{d}{2a}\right) + \sqrt{\left(\frac{-b^3}{27a^3} + \frac{bc}{6a^2} - \frac{d}{2a}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{c}{3a} - \frac{b^2}{9a^2}\right)^3}} + \sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{-b^3}{27a^3} + \frac{bc}{6a^2} - \frac{d}{2a}\right) - \sqrt{\left(\frac{-b^3}{27a^3} + \frac{bc}{6a^2} - \frac{d}{2a}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{c}{3a} - \frac{b^2}{9a^2}\right)^3}} - \frac{b}{3a}$$

²or even typesetting...

- Quintics: $ax^5 + bx^4 + cx^3 + dx^2 + ex + f = 0$

There is no general formula to express the roots in terms of radicals. See M3P11 - GALOIS THEORY in 3rd year. But one can easily find the roots in practice for any particular case.

- $N > 5$: Similarly no formula. However considering general N :

$$\begin{aligned} P_N(x) &= a_N x^N + a_{N-1} x^{N-1} + \dots \\ &= a_N x^N \left[1 + \frac{a_{N-1}}{a_N} \frac{1}{x} + \frac{a_{N-2}}{a_N} \frac{1}{x^2} + \dots \right] \end{aligned}$$

As $|x| \rightarrow \infty$, $\frac{1}{x^N} \rightarrow 0$, So for large $|x|$, $P_N \approx a_N x^N$.

Hence if $a_N > 0$ WLOG, then as $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$, $P_{2N}(x) \rightarrow +\infty$ and $P_{2N+1} \rightarrow \pm\infty$

Rational Functions

Lecture 5

Definition. A function of the form $f(x) = \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$, where $P(x)$ and $Q(x)$ are polynomials is called a *rational function*.

We *could* require that the order of $P <$ order of Q . If this doesn't happen, we can use polynomial division to write:

$$\frac{P}{Q} = R(x) + \frac{S(x)}{Q(x)} \quad \text{where } R \text{ and } S \text{ are also polynomial}$$

Example 1.15.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x^2 + x}{x - 1} &= \frac{x^2 - x + 2x}{x - 1} \\ &= x + \frac{2x}{x - 1} \\ &= x + \frac{2x - 2 + 2}{x - 1} \\ &= (x + 2) + \frac{2}{x - 1} \end{aligned}$$

We could also require that P and Q have no common factors i.e. $\nexists \alpha : P(\alpha) = 0 = Q(\alpha)$

Let's do this! (for simplicity). Any zero of $Q(x)$ is then a *singularity* or *pole* or infinity of $\frac{P}{Q}$ and is important. This behaviour is illustrated by...

Partial Fraction Decomposition

Suppose Q has degree N , with no repeated root, i.e.

$$Q = \lambda(x - r_1)(x - r_2) \dots (x - r_N)$$

Where $\lambda \neq 0, r_i \neq r = j$ unless $i = j$ and $r_i \in \mathbb{C}$

Then we can write:

$$\frac{P}{Q} = \frac{A_1}{x - r_1} + \frac{A_2}{x - r_2} + \cdots + \frac{A_N}{x - r_N} + \overbrace{R(x)}^{\text{if needed}}$$

We can easily find A_i by multiplying through Q :

$$\begin{aligned} P &= \frac{A_1 Q}{x - r_1} + \frac{A_2 Q}{x - r_2} + \cdots + \frac{A_N Q}{x - r_N} \\ &= A_1 \lambda (x - r_2)(x - r_3) \cdots (x - r_N) + \frac{A_2 Q}{x - r_2} + \cdots + \frac{A_N Q}{x - r_N} \end{aligned} \quad (*)$$

Putting $x = r_1$ into $(*)$; $Q(r_1) = 0$, so:

$$P(r_1) = A_1 \lambda (r_1 - r_2)(r_1 - r_3) \cdots (r_1 - r_N)$$

Using the product rule for differentiation, we also now have:

$$Q'(x) = \lambda[(x - r_2) \cdots (x - r_N)] + \lambda(x - r_1)[\text{a load of stuff}]$$

So

$$Q'(r_1) = \lambda(r_1 - r_2)(r_1 - r_3) \cdots (r_1 - r_N)$$

$$\text{hence } P(r_1) = A_1 Q'(r_1) \text{ or } A_1 = \frac{P(r_1)}{Q'(r_1)}$$

So obviously

$$A_i = \frac{P(r_i)}{Q'(r_i)} \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

What could go wrong?

(a) *What if (some of) the roots are complex?*

Algebra still works. But for some purposes we may prefer to keep things real.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{e.g. } \frac{3}{x^3 + 1} &= \frac{3}{(x + 1)(x^2 - x + 1)} = \frac{3}{(x + 1)(x - \omega)(x + \omega^*)} \\ &= \frac{A_1}{x + 1} + \frac{A_2}{x - \omega} + \frac{A_3}{x - \omega^*} \end{aligned}$$

Using the formula we obtained for A_i , we get $A_1 = 1, A_2 = -\omega, A_3 = -\omega^*$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{3}{x^3 + 1} &= \frac{1}{x + 1} - \frac{\omega}{x - \omega} - \frac{\omega^*}{x - \omega^*} \\ &= \frac{1}{x + 1} - \frac{x - 2}{x^2 - x + 1} \end{aligned}$$

Alternative Partial Fraction Form for real polynomials:

$$\frac{P}{Q} = R + \frac{A_1}{(x - r_1)} + \cdots + \underbrace{\frac{Cx + D}{Cx^2 + \delta x + \delta}}_{\text{for complex roots}} + \cdots$$

(b) *What if there are repeated roots?*

e.g.

$$Q(x) = \lambda(x - r_1)^2(x - r_3)(x - r_4) \dots (x - r_N)$$

Then

$$\frac{P}{Q} = R + \frac{A_1}{(x - r_1)^2} + \frac{B}{(x - r_1)} + \frac{A_3}{(x - r_3)} + \dots + \frac{A_N}{(x - r_N)}$$

Sometimes it's easiest to manipulate the numerator:

Example 1.16.

$$\frac{x}{(x + 2)^2(x + 3)}$$

Example cancelled due to laziness of lecturer.

Use of Partial Fractions

Calculus and curve plotting. Every rational function can be integrated in terms of simple functions. Also useful when differentiating many times:

Example 1.17.

$$f = \frac{x + 3}{x^2 + 4x + 3}$$

We have $P = x + 1$, $Q' = 2x + 4$, so $A_1 = \frac{-1}{-2}$, $A_2 = \frac{1}{2}$:

$$\begin{aligned} f &= \frac{\frac{-1}{-2}}{x + 3} + \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{x + 1} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{x + 3} + \frac{1}{x + 1} \right] \end{aligned}$$

So differentiating:

$$\begin{aligned} f' &= \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{(x + 3)^2} - \frac{1}{(x + 1)^2} \right) \\ f'' &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{(x + 3)^3} + \frac{2}{(x + 1)^3} \right) \\ f^{(n)} &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{(x + 3)^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{(x + 1)^{n+1}} \right] (-1)^n n! \end{aligned}$$

2 Infinite Series

Definition. An *infinite series* is a function of the form $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$

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We will assume for now that the infinite sum converges (i.e. tends to a limit) for at least some values of x . We will also assume we can manipulate infinite series sensibly. The a_n are called coefficients (may be $\in \mathbb{C}$)

The Exponential Function

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + \dots$$

In fact this series converges $\forall x$.

Forget everything we know about e^x for now... *What can we deduce about $f(x)$?*

If $x > 0$, $f(x) > 1$ by inspection, and also x increases as $f(x)$ increases. Question 6 on the problem sheets proved that $\forall x, y, f(x)f(y) = f(x+y)$.

Setting $y = -x$, yields $f(-x) = \frac{1}{f(x)}$, which tells us about when $0 < x < 1$. $f(x) \rightarrow 0$, as $x \rightarrow -\infty$ etc. It follows that $f(x)$ has an inverse function $g(x)$ whose domain is $(0, \infty)$ and range $(-\infty, \infty)$, so we know that $x = g(f(x)) \forall x$ and $x = f(g(x)) x > 0$.

Now consider

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 &= x \cdot x = f(g(x)) \cdot f(g(x)) \\ &= f(g(x) + g(x)) \quad [\text{By } f(x)f(y) = f(x+y)] \\ &= f(2g(x)) \end{aligned}$$

Clearly induction $x^n = f(ng(x))$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$

Definition. $x^\alpha = f(\alpha g(x)) = e^{\alpha \log x}$ for $x > 0$, any arbitrary α

$a^x = f(x g(a))$ for $a > 0$, any arbitrary x

From the definition of f , $a^x = 1 + x(g(a)) + \frac{1}{2}[xg(a)]^2 + \frac{1}{3!}[xg(a)]^3 + \dots$

Choose a such that $g(a) = 1$, then we have:

$$a^x = 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3!} + \dots = 2.718281828459\dots$$

Let's call this value (...wait for it), e

Then $g(e) = 1$, so

$$e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + \dots$$

From now we can use all the properties of the exponential function,

e.g. $e^x e^y = e^{x+y}$, $(e^a)^b = e^{ab}$, $e^0 = 1$.

Calling $g(x) = \log(x) = \ln(x)$, we have the usual properties which follows from the first problem sheet:

- $\log(uv) = \log(u) + \log(v)$
- $\log(1) = 0$
- “ $\log(0) = -\infty$ ”
- $\log(\frac{u}{v}) = \log(u) - \log(v)$
- $\log(a^b) = b \log a$
- $a^b = e^{b \log a}$

(We will not consider logarithms to different bases)

e^x is defined $x \in R$, what if x is complex or purely imaginary?

Definition. Write $x = i\theta, \theta \in R$, then define $e^{i\theta}$ to be:

$$\begin{aligned} f(i\theta) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(i\theta)^n}{n!} \\ &= 1 + i\theta + \frac{1}{2}(i\theta)^2 + \frac{1}{3!}(i\theta)^3 + \frac{1}{4!}(i\theta)^4 + \dots \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\theta^2 + \frac{\theta^4}{4!} - \frac{\theta^6}{6!} + \dots\right) + i\left(\theta - \frac{\theta^3}{3!} + \frac{\theta^5}{5!} + \dots\right) \end{aligned}$$

Now define

$$\cos(\theta) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\theta^2 + \frac{\theta^4}{4!} - \frac{\theta^6}{6!} + \dots\right)$$

and

$$\sin(\theta) = \left(\theta - \frac{\theta^3}{3!} + \frac{\theta^5}{5!} + \dots\right)$$

We then have:

$$e^{i\theta} = \cos(\theta) + i\sin(\theta)$$

Lecture 7 A better proof that $\cos(x+y) = \cos(x)\cos(y) - \sin(x)\sin(y)$ uses complex numbers, and the fact that:

$$\exp(x)\exp(y) \equiv \exp(x+y) \quad (*)$$

Proof. Consider $\exp(i\theta)\exp(i\phi) \equiv \exp(i\theta + i\phi)$

$$\implies [\cos(\theta) + i\sin(\theta)][\cos(\phi) + i\sin(\phi)] \equiv \cos(\theta + \phi) + i\sin(\theta + \phi)$$

Expanding and equating the real parts gives required result.¹ ■

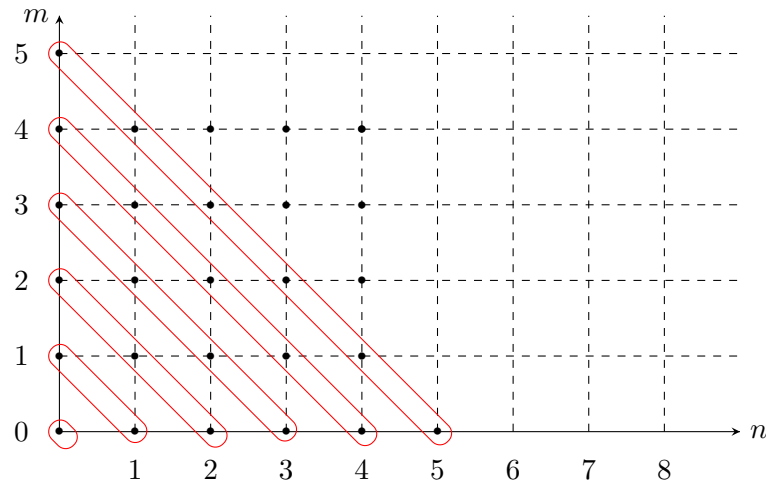
Now we prove identity (*)...

¹Much easier than the series manipulation on handout 1!

Proposition 2.1. $\exp(x) \exp(y) \equiv \exp(x + y)$

Proof. Consider $\exp(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$, then $\exp(y) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{y^m}{m!}$

Then $\exp(x) \exp(y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} \frac{y^m}{m!}$



Assume it does not matter in which order we add up all the terms i.e. we can add the diagonals $m + n = p$. Indeed counting the terms diagonally, writing $m + n = p$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \exp(x) \exp(y) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} \frac{y^m}{m!} = \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^p \left(\frac{x^n y^{p-n}}{p!} \right) \\
 &= \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^p \left(\frac{{}^p C_n x^n y^{p-n}}{p!} \right) \\
 &= \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p!} \sum_{n=0}^p {}^p C_n x^n y^{p-n} \\
 &= \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x+y)^p}{p!} = \exp(x+y)
 \end{aligned}$$

■

We now have \cos and \sin . You will prove on Sheet 2 Question 1 that they are 2π -periodic and all the trigonometric formulae that follow, i.e. $\cos(A+B)$ etc. *Remember them, or be able to derive them in 15 seconds!*

Other Infinite Series

There is no infinite series for $\log(x)$, i.e.

$$\log(x) \neq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n \text{ for any } a_n$$

(try putting $x = 0$, and you would get “ $-\infty = a_0$ ”). But there one for $\log(1+x)$:

$$\log(1+x) = 0 + x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} x^n}{n}$$

$$\frac{1}{1+x} = 1 - x + x^2 - x^3 + x^4 + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n (-1)^n, |x| < 1$$

This is an example of the geometric series $a + ar + ar^2 + \dots = \frac{a}{1-r}$, $|r| < 1$. N.B. We could integrate the series for $\frac{1}{1+x}$ to obtain $\log(1+x) + c = x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{3}x^3 - \dots$ assuming integrating term by term is allowed. Letting $x = 0 \implies c = 0$.

The Binomial Series

The Geometric series is a special case of the Binomial Series:

$$(1+x)^\alpha = 1 + \alpha x + \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)}{2}x^2 + \dots + \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)\dots(\alpha-p)}{(p+1)!}x^{p+1} + \dots \quad (\alpha \in \mathbb{R})$$

This series converges provided $|x| < 1$. Note, if $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}$, then eventually the coefficients become zero and the power series *terminates* as a polynomial of degree N . The series then becomes the binomial theorem: $(1+x)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n {}^nC_k x^k$

Proof by:

- (i) Leave it to M1F
- (ii) Induction

Hyperbolic Functions

Definition. We define

$$\cosh(x) = \text{Even part of } (e^x)$$

$$\sinh(x) = \text{Odd part of } (e^x)$$

i.e.

$$\cosh(x) \equiv \frac{1}{2}(e^x + e^{-x})$$

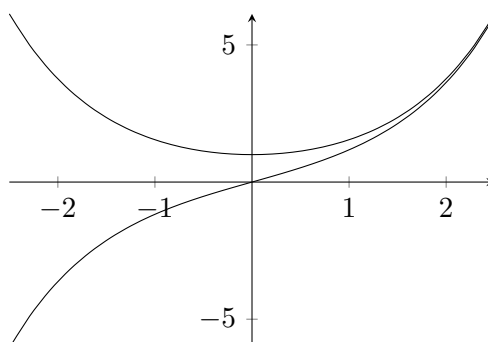
$$\sinh(x) \equiv \frac{1}{2}(e^x - e^{-x})$$

These obviously have the series:

$$\cosh(x) = 1 + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{4!}x^4 + \cdots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2k}}{(2k)!}$$

(removing the odd powers from $\exp(x)$), and

$$\sinh(x) = x + \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^5}{5!} + \cdots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!}$$



Inverse Hyperbolic Functions

Suppose

$$y = \sinh x = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2}$$

Solve for x . How? Write $u = e^x$:

$$\begin{aligned} 2y &= u - \frac{1}{u} \\ u^2 - 2uy - 1 &= 0 \\ u &= y \pm \sqrt{1 + y^2} \end{aligned}$$

Which root do we take?

$ue^x > 0 \forall x$, and $y - \sqrt{1 + y^2} < 0$ (if $y > 0$), so we take the $+$ sign.

$$e^x = y + \sqrt{1 + y^2}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \log[y + \sqrt{1 + y^2}] \\ &\equiv \sinh^{-1} y \equiv \operatorname{arcsinh}(y) \end{aligned}$$

What about \cosh^{-1} ?

Write

$$y = \frac{1}{2}(e^x + e^{-x})$$

Letting $u = e^x$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} u^2 - 2uy + 1 &= 0 \\ \implies u &= y \pm \sqrt{y^2 - 1} \end{aligned}$$

Which root do we take? Either is possible depending on the domain of $\cosh x$. Assume $x \geq 0 \implies e^x \geq 1$. Again, we need the + sign (for larger root), so

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \log[y + \sqrt{y^2 - 1}] \\ &= \cosh^{-1} y \equiv \operatorname{arccosh}(y) \end{aligned}$$

Note: taking the minus sign would give “ $-x$ ” instead. Indeed:

$$\begin{aligned} &\log(y + \sqrt{y^2 - 1}) + \log(y - \sqrt{y^2 - 1}) \\ &= \log[(y + \sqrt{y^2 - 1})(y - \sqrt{y^2 - 1})] \\ &= \log[y^2 - (\sqrt{y^2 - 1})^2] \\ &= \log[y^2 - (y^2 - 1)] = \log(1) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

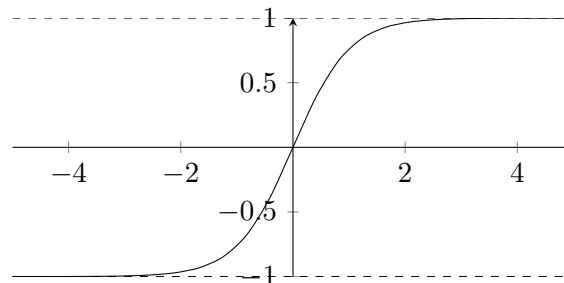
So our inverse hyperbolic functions are

$$\begin{aligned} \sinh^{-1}(x) &= \log(x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1}) \\ \cosh^{-1}(x) &= \log(x + \sqrt{x^2 - 1}) \end{aligned}$$

Note: $\cosh^2 - \sinh^2 \equiv 1$. There is much similarity with trigonometric functions.

See Problem Sheet 2 for $\tanh x$ and $\tanh^{-1} x$.

$$\tanh x \equiv \frac{\sinh x}{\cosh x}$$



The \tanh function is very useful for switching between -1 and 1 smoothly.

Expanding other functions as power series

We can use the functions we've defined to express many others as power series.

Example 2.2. Find the Power Series expansion for $(1 + x^2) \cosh x$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (1 + x^2) \cosh x \\
 &= (1 + x^2) \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{24} + \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots \right) \\
 &= 1 + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{24} + \mathcal{O}(x^6) \\
 &+ \quad x^2 + \frac{x^4}{2} + \mathcal{O}(x^6) \\
 &= 1 + \frac{3x^2}{2} + \frac{13}{24}x^4 + \mathcal{O}(x^6)
 \end{aligned}$$

Note: $\mathcal{O}(x^6)$ means terms at least as small as cx^6 as $x \rightarrow \infty$

Example 2.3. Find the Power Series expansion for

$$\frac{\sqrt{1 + \frac{x^2}{2}}}{\cos x}$$

Use the binomial theorem for expanding the numerator:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sqrt{1 + \frac{x^2}{2}} &= \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{2} \right)^{1/2} \\
 &= 1 + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x^2}{2} \right) + \frac{(\frac{1}{2})(-\frac{1}{2})}{2} \left(\frac{x^2}{2} \right)^2 + \frac{(\frac{1}{2})(-\frac{1}{2})(-\frac{3}{2})}{3!} \left(\frac{x^2}{2} \right)^3 + \dots \\
 &= 1 + \frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{x^4}{32} + \mathcal{O}(x^6)
 \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\cos x = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{4} + \mathcal{O}(x^6)$$

So how do we deal with

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{\cos x} &= \frac{1}{1 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{4} + \mathcal{O}(x^6)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{1 - T}
 \end{aligned}$$

Define $T = \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^4}{4!} + \mathcal{O}(x^6)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{1-T} &= 1 + T + T^2 + \mathcal{O}(T^3) \\
\frac{1}{\cos x} &= 1 + \left(\frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^4}{24}\right) + \left(\frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^4}{24}\right)^2 + \mathcal{O}(x^6) \\
&= 1 + \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^4}{24} + \left(\frac{x^2}{2}\right)^2 + \mathcal{O}(x^6) \\
&= 1 + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{5x^4}{24}
\end{aligned}$$

Putting them together:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\sqrt{1 + \frac{x^2}{2}}}{\cos x} &= \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{x^4}{32}\right) \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{5x^4}{24}\right) + \mathcal{O}(x^6) \\
&= 1 + x^2 \left[\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2}\right] + x^4 \left[1 \cdot \frac{5}{24} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{32} \cdot 1\right] \\
&= 1 + \frac{3x^2}{4} + \frac{x^4}{96} [20 + 12 - 3] + \mathcal{O}(x^6) \\
&= 1 + \frac{3x^2}{4} + \frac{29x^4}{96} + \mathcal{O}(x^6)
\end{aligned}$$

Example 2.4. A “simpler” example: Find the power series for

$$\frac{1}{1 + e^x}$$

Try letting $T = e^x$:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{1+T} &= 1 - T + T^2 - T^3 + T^4 - T^5 + T^6 - T^7 + \dots \\
&= -(1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^4}{24} + \dots) \\
&\quad + (1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^4}{24} + \dots)^2 \\
&\quad - (1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^4}{24} + \dots)^3 \\
&\quad + (1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^4}{24} + \dots)^4
\end{aligned}$$

We would then try gathering the constant terms, the x terms together etc. But then we end up with $-1 + 1 - 1 + 1 - 1 + \dots$ and $x + x + x + \dots$, which goes off to infinity!

What's gone wrong?

Suppose x is very small, then $T = 1$ which is still large, so there is no justification for neglecting small powers of T ... we end up having to include all powers of T - for which we are DOOMED.

Theorem 2.5: Golden Rule

Never ever ever expand in a quantity you are not prepared to treat as small.

Example 2.6. We broke the Golden Rule, so start Example 2.4 again:

Write $T = e^x - 1$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{1+e^x} &= \frac{1}{1+1+T} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2+T} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{T}{2}\right)^{-1} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{T}{2} + \left(\frac{T}{2}\right)^2\right) + \dots \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{T}{4} + \frac{T^2}{8} + \dots \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} \left(x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \mathcal{O}(x^3)\right) + \frac{1}{8} \left(x + \frac{x^2}{2}\right)^2 + \mathcal{O}(x^3) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4}x - \frac{1}{8}x^3 + \frac{1}{8}x^2 + \mathcal{O}(x^3) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4}x + \mathcal{O}(x^3)
 \end{aligned}$$

Maclaurin Series

What Kind of functions have a power series?

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i.e. When can we write $f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots a_nx^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_nx^n$?

Note that if this is true then $f(0) = a_0$. So if $f(x)$ is *differentiable* (see later) and it is legitimate to differentiate an infinite series term by term, then

$$f'(x) = a_1 + 2a_2x + \dots na_nx^{n-1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} na_nx^{n-1}$$

Now we put $x = 0$, to get $f'(0) = a_1$.

In general, if the function $f(x)$ can be differentiated r times (and so can the series), then

$$f^{(r)}(0) = a_r r! x^0 + 0 + 0 + 0 + \dots \implies \boxed{a_r = \frac{f^{(r)}}{r!}}$$

(if $n < r$ in sum, one of the prefactors of x^{n-r} is 0. If $n > r$, x^{n-r} is 0, when $x = 0$. So only one term, $n = r$, remains.)

So formally,

Definition. if the function has a power series then we expect the *Maclaurin Series* (or the Taylor series about $x = 0$) to be:

$$f(x) = f(0) + xf'(0) + \frac{x^2 f''(0)}{2!} + \cdots + \frac{x^r f^{(r)}(0)}{r!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n$$

We suspect therefore, the only those functions with an arbitrary number of derivatives of $x = 0$ have the power series expansion.

So $\log(x)$, $x^{3.1}$, $\sin(x^{\frac{1}{2}})$, or $|x^3|$ do not have series expansions. There are some functions for which the power series exists but converges to a different function. Such functions are called *non-analytical* functions. e.g.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}} & x \neq 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

We shall not worry about such functions anymore.

So a Maclaurin series exists $\iff f^{(n)}(0)$ exists $\forall n$.

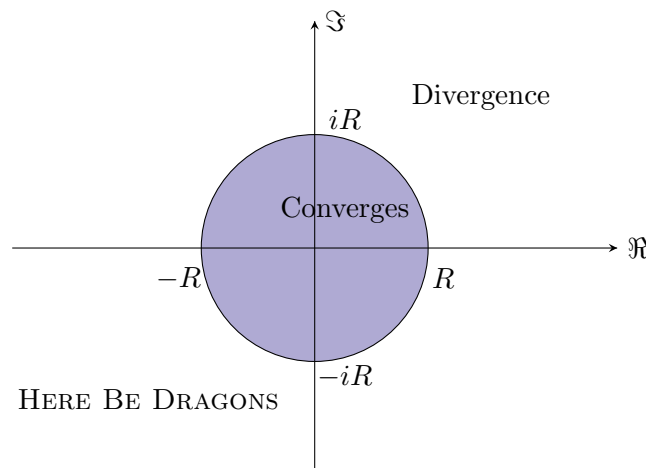
e.g. $f(x) = e^{-x} \sin(2x) = 2x - 2x^2 + \mathcal{O}(x^3)$

Radius of Convergence

Definition. For any power series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$ ($a_n, x \in \mathbb{C}$), $\exists \mathbb{R}$ such that:

- if $|x| < R$ series converges
- if $|x| > R$ series does not converge
- if $|x| = R$ anything can happen
- if $R = 0$ series converges only for $x = 0$
- if “ $R = \infty$ ” series converges $\forall x$

R is called the *radius of convergence*



Example 2.7. $(x + \alpha)^\alpha \quad a \neq 0 \in \mathbb{R}, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\implies a^\alpha \left(1 + \frac{x}{a}\right)^\alpha$$

assuming $a > 0$ (otherwise if $a < 0$, write $a = -b$, $(x - b)^\alpha = b^\alpha \left(\frac{x}{b} - 1\right)^\alpha$)

$$= (1 + t)^\alpha$$

we “know” this requires $|t| < 1 \implies \left|\frac{x}{a}\right| < 1 \implies |x| < |a|$, so $\boxed{R = |a|}$.

What limits the circle of convergence?

In practice, the series converges in as big a circle as it can i.e. until it reaches a singular point. e.g. $\frac{1}{x^2+1}$ is singular (infinite) when $x = i$, so $R \not> 1$ (else series would have to converge at $x = i$, but it can't as function is infinite there), so $R = 1$ for this function.

He spent Lecture 10 going through his handout on Analysis. This basically summarises M1P1 ANALYSIS I, the most important results of which are:

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Theorem 2.8: Comparison Test

Suppose $a_n \geq b_n \geq 0$. Then

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \text{ convergent} \implies \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n \text{ convergent}$$

Theorem 2.9: Ratio Test

If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = l$, then the series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \begin{cases} \text{converges if} & l < 1 \\ \text{diverges if} & l > 1 \\ \text{uncertain if} & l = 1 \end{cases}$$

We can use the ratio test to determine the radius of convergence for a power series, since applying it to $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$, we have:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1} x^{n+1}}{a_n x^n} \right| = \frac{|x|}{R}$$

Then by the ratio test, the power series converges if $|x| < R$, diverges if $|x| > R$ and may do either if $|x| = R$. So if the test works, R is in fact the *radius of convergence*.

Recall the Maclaurin series:

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$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0) x^n}{n!}$$

We can derive the *Taylor series* from the Maclaurin series in a few steps.

Define a new function

$$\begin{aligned} g(y+h) &= f(h) \text{ for some constant } y \\ f'(0) &= g'(y) \\ f''(g) &= g''(y-h) \text{ etc.} \end{aligned}$$

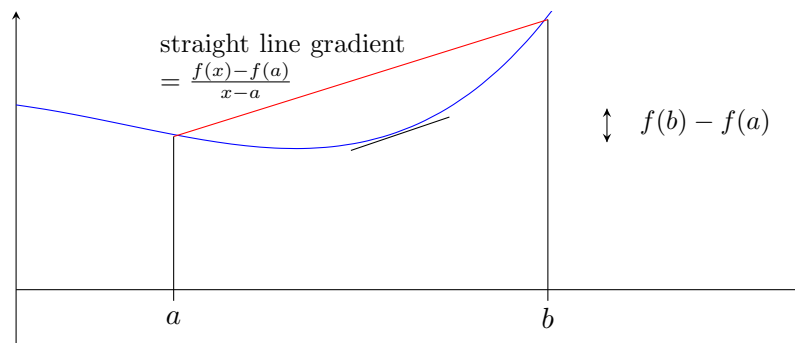
So we get

$$g(y+h) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{g^{(n)}(y)h^n}{n!}$$

Relabelling $y \rightarrow x$ and $g \rightarrow f$, we get the Taylor series:

Definition. The *Taylor series* is

$$f(x+h) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(x)h^n}{n!}$$



What the Taylor series does is approximate b by considering the derivatives at a .

Finding the Radii of Convergence

Example 2.10.

$$\exp(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

To find the radius of convergence, look at the ratio of two adjacent terms.

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{x^{n+1}/(n+1)!}{x^n/n!} \right| &= \frac{|x|n!}{(n+1)!} \\ &= \frac{|x|}{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

Now take the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Obviously this tends to 0. i.e.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} \right| = 0 < 1$$

So series converges for all x by the ratio test, so “ $R = \infty$ ”.

Example 2.11. Find the radius of convergence for

$$f(x) = \tan^{-1}(x) = \arctan(x)$$

Differentiating:

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{1}{1+x^2} \text{ (see later if necessary!)} \\ &= 1 - x^2 + x^4 - x^6 + x^8 - \dots \end{aligned}$$

So assume

$$f(x) = C + x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{x^7}{7} + \dots + \frac{x^{2n+1}}{2n+1}(-1)^n + \dots$$

When $x = 0$, $\tan^{-1} = 0 \implies C = 0$, so we have the power series for the function:

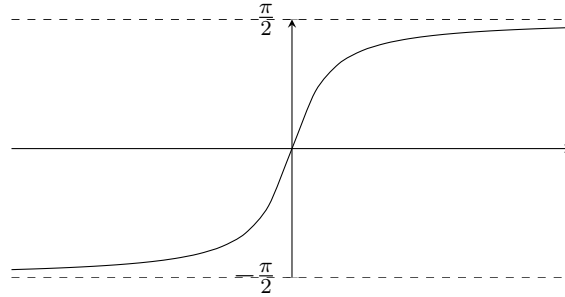
$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{2n+1}$$

To find the radius of convergence, look at

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^{n+1} x^{2n+3} / (2n+3)}{(-1)^n x^{2n+1} / (2n+1)} \right| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1)x^2(2n+1)}{(2n+3)} \right| \\ &= |x^2| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{2n+1}{2n+3} \right| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= |x^2| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{1 + \frac{1}{2n}}{1 + \frac{3}{2n}} \right| \\
 &= |x^2| < 1 \iff |x| < 1 \implies R = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

Why is $R = 1$? The function is perfectly well behaved in \mathbb{R} :



But in the complex plane this function is not nicely behaved - there is a singularity when $x = i$, so $R \not> 1$.

Example 2.12. Find R for

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^2 n^2}{2^n (n+1)}$$

Look at

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\frac{x^{n+1} (n+1)^2}{2^{n+1} (n+2)}}{\frac{x^n n^2}{2^n (n+1)}} \right| \\
 &= \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(n+1)^2}{n^2 (n+2)} \right| \\
 &= \frac{|x|}{2} < 1 \iff |x| < 2
 \end{aligned}$$

So $R = 2$.

To find R , we need to be able to find limits. This can often be hard. Normally

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$$

if f is continuous, but what if $f(a)$ is hard to evaluate?

What is " $\frac{0}{0}$ "? It can be anything. Also troublesome is $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$, $0 \times \infty$, 0^∞ , $\infty - \infty$, 1^∞ .

How do we cope?

Example 2.13. Find

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^{1/2} (\sqrt{x+1} - \sqrt{x+4})$$

Note

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sqrt{x+1} - \sqrt{x+4} \\
 &= (\sqrt{x+1} - \sqrt{x+4}) \frac{\sqrt{x+1} + \sqrt{x+4}}{\sqrt{x+1} + \sqrt{x+4}} \\
 &= \frac{(x+1) - (x+4)}{\sqrt{x+1} + \sqrt{x+4}} \\
 &= \frac{-3}{\sqrt{x+1} + \sqrt{x+4}}
 \end{aligned}$$

So our limit is now:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^{1/2}(\sqrt{x+1} - \sqrt{x+4}) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-3x^{1/2}}{\sqrt{x+1} + \sqrt{x+4}} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{-3x^{1/2}}{x^{1/2}(1 + \frac{1}{x})^{1/2} + x^{1/2}(1 + \frac{4}{x})^{1/2}} \right] \\
 &= \frac{-3}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Example 2.14. Find

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[(\cosh(\sqrt{x}))^{1/2} \right]$$

This tends to 1^∞ , which is a problem. But recalling that $\cosh t = 1 + \frac{1}{2}t^2 + \dots$, we can consider the log:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \log \left[(\cosh(\sqrt{x}))^{1/2} \right] &= \frac{1}{x} \log(\cosh \sqrt{x}) \\
 &\approx \frac{1}{x} \log\left(1 + \frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{x})^2\right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{x} \log\left(1 + \frac{1}{2}x\right) \\
 &\approx \frac{1}{x} \left(\frac{1}{2}x \right) = \frac{1}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

noting that $\log(1+t) = t - \frac{t^2}{2} + \frac{t^3}{3} + \dots$

So

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[(\cosh(\sqrt{x}))^{1/2} \right] = e^{1/2}$$

3 Differentiation

First Principles Differentiation

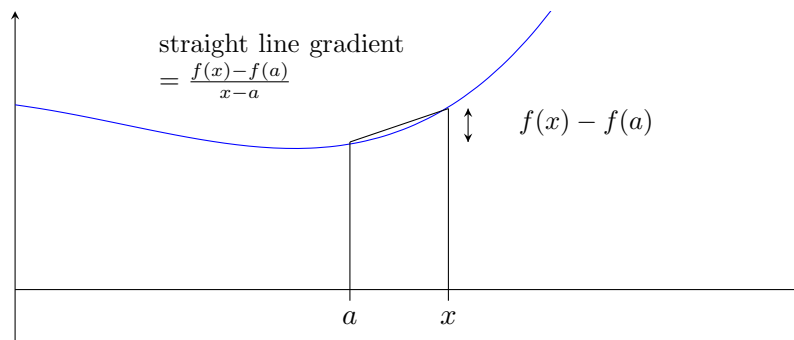
Lecture 12 What is

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f(x) - f(a))$$

if $f(x)$ is continuous? (= 0 obviously)

What about

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left[\frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} \right] ?$$



We are taking the limit of the line joining $(a, f(a))$ to $(x, f(x))$.

$$\frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} \rightarrow \text{Gradient}$$

Definition. Then as $x \rightarrow a$, the limit tends to the gradient of the tangent. If the limit

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left[\frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} \right] \quad (*)$$

exists, we call it the “*derivative* of the function $f(x)$ at a ”.

We can denote this limit $(*)$ as either $\frac{df}{dx}$ or $f'(x)$.

If in addition this limit $(*)$ exists for every point on an interval $c < x < d$ ($x \in (c, d)$), we say $f(x)$ is *differentiable* on the interval (c, d) and we have then defined a new function

$$f'(x) \text{ on } x \in (c, d)$$

Definition. More commonly we define

$$f'(x) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{f(x + \epsilon) - f(x)}{\epsilon} \right]$$

N.B. This definition is equivalent to $(*)$, with $\epsilon = x - a$. (Exercise: Check this.)

Lets do some examples:

Example 3.1. Differentiate $f(x) = x^2$ from first principles

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(x) &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{(x + \epsilon)^2 - x^2}{\epsilon} \right] \\
 &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{x^2 + 2\epsilon x + \epsilon^2 - x^2}{\epsilon} \right] \\
 &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} [2x + \epsilon] \\
 &= 2x
 \end{aligned}$$

Example 3.2. Differentiate from first principles $f(x) = x^{1/2}$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{(x + \epsilon)^{1/2} - x^{1/2}}{\epsilon} \right]$$

Beware of the temptation to use the binomial series as we haven't proved it!!

We use a trick: $a^2 - b^2 = (a + b)(a - b)$. Let $a = (x + \epsilon)^{1/2}$ and $b = x^{1/2}$, so then:

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(x) &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{(x + \epsilon)^{1/2} - x^{1/2}}{\epsilon} \cdot \frac{(x + \epsilon)^{1/2} + x^{1/2}}{(x + \epsilon)^{1/2} + x^{1/2}} \right] \\
 &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{((x + \epsilon)^{1/2})^2 - (x^{1/2})^2}{\epsilon((x + \epsilon)^{1/2} + x^{1/2})} \right] \\
 &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{(x + \epsilon) - x}{\epsilon((x + \epsilon)^{1/2} + x^{1/2})} \right] \\
 &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon((x + \epsilon)^{1/2} + x^{1/2})} \right] \\
 &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{(x + \epsilon)^{1/2} + x^{1/2}} \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{x^{1/2} + x^{1/2}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{x^{1/2}} = \frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Product Rule

Suppose we have $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ that are differentiable, i.e. their derivatives exists. We ask what is the derivative of their product $f(x) \cdot g(x)$??

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d}{dx}(fg) &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{f(x + \epsilon)g(x + \epsilon) - f(x)g(x)}{\epsilon} \right] \\
 &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{f(x + \epsilon)g(x + \epsilon) + 0 - f(x)g(x)}{\epsilon} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{d}{dx}(fg) &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{f(x+\epsilon)g(x+\epsilon) - f(x)g(x+\epsilon) + f(x)g(x+\epsilon) - f(x)g(x)}{\epsilon} \right] \\
&= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[g(x+\epsilon) \left(\frac{f(x+\epsilon) - f(x)}{\epsilon} \right) + f(x) \left(\frac{g(x+\epsilon) - g(x)}{\epsilon} \right) \right] \\
&= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} [g(x) + \epsilon] \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{f(x+\epsilon) - f(x)}{\epsilon} \right) + \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} [f(x) + \epsilon] \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{g(x+\epsilon) - g(x)}{\epsilon} \right) \\
&= g(x)f'(x) + f(x)g'(x)
\end{aligned}$$

We have shown:

$$\boxed{(fg)' = f'g + g'f}$$

Chain Rule

Suppose again that f, g are differentiable in appropriate domains, then what is

$$\frac{d}{dx}(f(g(x)))?$$

By definition

$$\frac{d}{dx}(f(g)) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{f(g(x+\epsilon)) - f(g(x))}{\epsilon} \right]$$

Trick: We are going to multiply by 1 in a clever way by multiplying the top and bottom by $g(x+\epsilon) - g(x)$. [We know the answer will have g' in it, but we are not cheating... not really]

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{d}{dx}(f(g)) &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{f(g(x+\epsilon)) - f(g(x))}{\epsilon} \cdot \frac{g(x+\epsilon) - g(x)}{g(x+\epsilon) - g(x)} \right] \\
&= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{f(g(x+\epsilon)) - f(g(x))}{g(x+\epsilon) - g(x)} \right] \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{g(x+\epsilon) - g(x)}{\epsilon} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

Trick: Let

$$\begin{aligned}
\theta &= g(x+\epsilon) - g(x) \\
\implies g(x+\epsilon) &= g(x) + \theta
\end{aligned}$$

I claim that $\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \equiv \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0}$. So

$$\frac{d}{dx}(f(g)) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{g(x+\epsilon) - g(x)}{\epsilon} \right] \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{f(g(x) + \theta) - f(g(x))}{\theta} \right]$$

Let $g(x) = u$, so

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{f(u + \theta) - f(u)}{\theta} \right] = \frac{df}{du}$$

Then we have

$$\boxed{\frac{d}{dx}(f(g)) = \frac{dg}{dx} \cdot \frac{df}{du}}$$

Quotient Rule

What is $\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right)$?

We will use the product rule:

$$\left(\frac{f}{g} \right)' = f' \left(\frac{1}{g} \right) + f \left(\frac{1}{g} \right)'$$

Aside: What is $\left(\frac{1}{x} \right)'$?

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\frac{1}{x+h} - \frac{1}{x}}{h} \right] &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{x - (x+h)}{h(x+h)(x)} \right] \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{-1}{(x+h)(x)} \right] \\ &= -\frac{1}{x^2} = -x^{-2}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{g} \right) &= \frac{d}{dg} \left(\frac{1}{g} \right) \frac{dg}{dx} \quad [\text{Chain Rule}] \\ &= -\frac{1}{g^2} \cdot g' \end{aligned}$$

Putting it all together, we find:

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{f}{g} \right)' &= \frac{f'}{g} - \frac{fg'}{g^2} \\ &= \frac{f'g - fg'}{g^2} \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\boxed{\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right) = \frac{\frac{df}{dx}g - f\frac{dg}{dx}}{g^2}}$$

With all these rules we can find the derivative to say: $\log(1 + \sin(2^x + \sin(x)^{\cos(x)}))$.

The product rule and chain rule extend to more than two functions e.g.

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$$(fgh)' = f'(gh) + f(gh)' = f'(gh) + fg'h + (fg)h'$$

Similarly (by defining $g(h(x)) \equiv k(x)$):

$$f[g(h[x])] = f[k(x)] = f'(k(x)) \cdot k'(x) = f'(g(h(x)))g'(h(x))h'(x)$$

It's easier to just remember that:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \frac{du}{dt} \frac{dt}{d\Omega} \frac{d\Omega}{d\chi} \frac{d\chi}{d\xi} \frac{d\xi}{dx} \text{ etc.}$$

Some more “First Principles” Differentiation

Example 3.3. What is $\frac{d}{dx}(e^x)$?

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{e^{x+\epsilon} - e^x}{\epsilon} \right) = e^x \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{e^\epsilon - 1}{\epsilon} \right) = e^x \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1 + \epsilon + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2) - 1}{\epsilon} \right) \\ &= e^x \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} [1 + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)] \\ &= e^x \end{aligned}$$

Exercise: Show that $\frac{dx}{dy} = 1$ from first principles

So $1 = \frac{dx}{dy} = \frac{dx}{dy} \frac{dy}{dx}$ (using chain rule). i.e. $\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{dx/dy}}$

N.B. Next term you will meet partial derivatives, $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$; The chain rule for partial differentiation is more complicated, and $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \neq \frac{1}{\partial x/\partial u}$ necessarily.

If $y = \log x$, What is $\frac{dy}{dx}$?

Write $x = e^y \implies \frac{dx}{dy} = e^y \implies \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{e^y} = \frac{1}{x}$

Inverse Trigonometric Derivatives

What is $\frac{d}{dx}(\sin^{-1} x)$?

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dx}{dy} &= \frac{d}{dy}(\sin y) \\ &= \frac{d}{dy} \left[y - \frac{y^3}{6} + \frac{y^5}{120} + \dots \frac{y^n}{n!} \right] \\ &= \left[1 - \frac{y^2}{2} + \frac{y^4}{24} + \dots \right] \\ &= \cos y \end{aligned}$$

Or we could use first principles:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dy}[\sin y] &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\sin(y + \epsilon) - \sin(y)}{\epsilon} \right] \\ &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\sin y \cos \epsilon + \sin \epsilon \cos y - \sin y}{\epsilon} \right] \\ &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\sin \epsilon}{\epsilon} \cos y \right] + \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\sin y \left(\frac{\cos \epsilon - 1}{\epsilon} \right) \right] \\ &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\epsilon + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^3)}{\epsilon} \right] \cos y + \sin y \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1 - \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^4) - 1}{\epsilon} \right] \\ &= \cos y \end{aligned}$$

Similarly $\frac{d}{dx}(\cos x) = -\sin x$.

For $\tan(x)$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx}(\tan x) &= \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{\cos(x)} \right) = 1 + \frac{\sin^2 x}{\cot x} \\ &= \frac{\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x} \\ &= \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} \\ &= \sec^2 x\end{aligned}$$

Return to $\frac{d}{dx}(\sin^{-1} x)$; $x = \sin y$

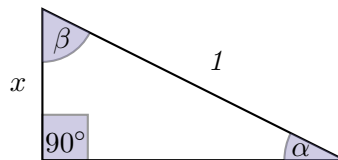
$$\frac{dx}{dy} = \cos y = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 y} = \sqrt{1 - x^2}$$

Hence

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}} = \frac{d}{dx}[\sin^{-1} x]}$$

Exercise: Show $\frac{d}{dx}(\cos x) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}}$

Hence $\frac{d}{dx}[\sin^{-1} x + \cos^{-1} x] = 0$, which is clear from the right angled triangle:



Since $\alpha = \sin^{-1} x$ and $\beta = \cos^{-1} x$, $\alpha + \beta = \frac{\pi}{2}$, obviously $\frac{d}{dx} \frac{\pi}{2} = 0$.

Logarithmic Derivative

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\log(u(x))) = \frac{d}{du} \log u \cdot \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{1}{u} u'$$

This is called a logarithmic derivative. Useful when performing integration e.g.

$$I = \int \frac{e^x + \cos x}{1 + e^x + \sin x} dx$$

Observe that $u = 1 + e^x + \sin x$ and $u' = e^x + \cos x$

$$\implies I = \log(1 + e^x + \sin x) + c$$

Implicit Differentiation

If y is given implicitly in terms of x e.g. $y + \tan y = x$, we can differentiate the entire equation term by term with respect to x :

Example 3.4. Differentiate $y + \tan y = x$:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx}(y + \tan y) &= \frac{d}{dx}(x) = 1 \\ \implies \frac{dy}{dx} \frac{d}{dy}(y + \tan y) &= 1 \\ \implies \frac{dy}{dx}(1 + \sec^2 y) &= 1 \\ \implies \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{1}{\sec^2 y + 1} \\ &= \frac{1}{2 + \tan^2 y} \\ &= \frac{1}{2 + (x - y)^2}\end{aligned}$$

Higher Derivatives

If $f(x)$ is differentiable in $(a, b) \iff f'(x)$ is defined on (a, b) .

Maybe f' is also differentiable. If so, we write it as

$$f'' \text{ or } \frac{d^2 f}{dx^2} \text{ or } \left(\frac{d}{dx}\right)^2 f$$

BUT NOT EVER EVER $\left(\frac{df}{dx}\right)^2$

Continuing, we can write the n 'th derivative (if it exists) as

$$f^{(n)}(x) \text{ or } \frac{d^n f}{dx^n} \text{ or } \left(\frac{d}{dx}\right)^n f$$

These forms are useful for Taylor / Maclaurin series.

Leibniz' Rule

Lecture 14 *How can we (easily) differentiate a product many times?*

Suppose f and g are differentiable an arbitrarily number of times. What is $(fg)'$? Use the product rule:

$$\begin{aligned}(fg)' &= f'g + fg' \\ (fg)'' &= (f'g + fg')' = (f'g)' + (fg')' = f''g + 2f'g' + fg'' \\ (fg)''' &= f'''g + 3f''g' + 3f'g'' + fg'''\end{aligned}$$

We spot a pattern, and make an inspired (but intelligent) guess:

$$(fg)^n = \sum_{r=0}^n \binom{n}{r} f^{(r)} g^{(n-r)} \quad \left. \vphantom{\sum_{r=0}^n} \right\} \text{Leibniz' Formula} \quad (*)$$

This is very similar to the binomial theorem:

$$(f + g)^n = \sum_{r=0}^n \binom{n}{r} f^r g^{n-r}$$

(which I had hoped would have been proved in M1F)

Proof. Use induction to prove (*)

(A) Take $n = 1$: $(fg)' = f'g + fg'$ by product rule, so true for $n = 1$

(B) Assume (*) holds when $n = k$, and try to prove it then holds for $n = k + 1$. Hence:

$$\begin{aligned} (fg)^{(k)} &= \sum_{r=0}^k \binom{k}{r} f^{(r)} g^{(k-r)}, \text{ and differentiate again:} \\ \implies (fg)^{(k+1)} &= \sum_{r=0}^k \binom{k}{r} \left[f^{(r+1)} g^{(k-r)} + f^{(r)} g^{(k-r+1)} \right] \\ &= f^{(s)} g^{(k+1-s)} \left[\binom{k}{s-1} + \binom{k}{s} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 3.5. : $\binom{k}{s-1} + \binom{k}{s} = \binom{k+1}{s}$

Proof

- A) Pester Alessio
- B) Pester Emma
- C) Use Pascal's Triangle
- D) Use Factorials

Assuming lemma, we obtain:

$$(fg)^{(k+1)} = \sum_{s=0}^{k+1} \binom{k+1}{s} f^{(s)} g^{(k+1-s)}$$

as required.

(C) Hence by induction (*) holds for all natural \mathbb{N} . ■

Note: Leibniz is very useful is one of the functions $\omega \log f$ is a polynomial, as then the high derivatives vanish (are zero)

Example 3.6. What is $\frac{d}{dx}(x^2 \sin x)$?

Using Leibniz, $f = \sin x, g = x^2$:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= (\sin x)^{(100)}x^2 + \binom{100}{1} \sin x^{(99)} \cdot 2x + \binom{100}{2} \sin x^{(98)} \cdot 2 + 0 + 0 + \dots \\ &= \sin x [x^2 - 9900] - 200x \cos x\end{aligned}$$

Example 3.7. : What is the Maclaurin series for $y = \sin^{-1} x$?

$$\begin{aligned}y' &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}, \quad y'' = x(1-x^2)^{-3/2} \\ \implies (1-x^2)y'' &= xy'\end{aligned}$$

Differentiate entire equation n times using Leibniz rule:

$$[(1-x^2)y'']^{(n)} = [xy']^{(n)} = xy^{(n+1)} + ny^{(n)}$$

Note that:

$$[(1-x^2)y'']^{(n)} = (1-x^2)y^{(n+2)} + n(2x)y^{(n+1)} + \frac{n(n-1)}{2}(-2)y^{(n)}$$

Hence

$$(1-x^2)y^{(n+2)} - (2n+1)xy^{(n+1)} - n^2y^{(n)} = 0$$

So at $x = 0$, we have:

$$y^{(n+1)}(0) = n^2y^{(n)}(0) \quad \forall n$$

Now $y = \sin^{-1} x \implies y(0) = 0$, and $y' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \implies y'(0) = 1$. This means all even derivatives are zero. Considering the odd derivatives:

$$y^{(3)}(0) = 1, y^{(5)}(0) = 3^2, y^{(7)}(0) = 5^2 \cdot 3^2$$

So

$$\sin^{-1} x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} (n-2)^2(n-4)^2 \dots 5^2 \times 3^2 \times 1$$

Four Theorems and an Example

Theorem 3.8

Suppose $f(x)$ is continuous on $[a, b]$ i.e. $a \leq x \leq b$ and differentiable on (a, b) i.e. $a < x < b$. Then $f(x)$ attains its maximum and minimum values somewhere in $[a, b]$. i.e.

$$\exists c \ a \leq c \leq b, \text{ s.t. } f(c) \geq f(x) \ \forall x \in [a, b]$$

Furthermore, either $c = a$ or $c = b$ or $f'(c) = 0$.

Theorem 3.9: Rolle's Theorem

If $f(a) = f(b) = 0$, and f is continuous on $[a, b]$ and differentiable on (a, b) , then \exists a point s.t. $f'(c) = 0$, where $a < c < b$.

Sketch Proof. Choose c to be the maximum of f over $[a, b]$.

Consider

$$\frac{f(c + \epsilon) - f(c)}{\epsilon} \leq 0 \text{ where } \epsilon > 0$$

because $f(c)$ is a maximum.

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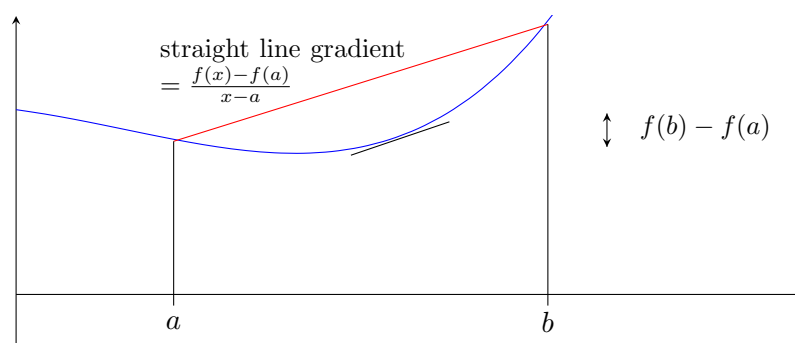
$$\frac{f(c) - f(c - \epsilon)}{\epsilon} \geq 0$$

Then take the limit as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$, both tend to $f'(c)$ but one is ≥ 0 , and the other is ≤ 0 .
See M1P1 - ANALYSIS I. ■

Theorem 3.10: Mean Value Theorem

Suppose f is continuous in $[a, b]$ and differentiable in (a, b) . Then $\exists \zeta \in (a, b)$ such that

$$\frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} = f'(\zeta)$$



Proof in two ways (assuming Rolle's Theorem)

(i) Proof by Origami

(ii) If you are unconvinced, proof by Maths.

Proof. Define a new function

$$g(x) = f(x) - f(a) - \left[\frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} \right] (x - a)$$

If $g(a) = g(b) = 0$ and g is continuous and differentiable.

Now use Rolle's Theorem on $g(x) \implies \exists \zeta$ s.t. $g'(\zeta) = 0$ and $a < \zeta < b$. Now $g'(x) = f'(x) - \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$, so

$$0 = g'(\zeta) = f'(\zeta) - \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$$

Or

$$f'(\zeta) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$$

for some $\zeta \in (a, b)$. ■

De L'Hopital's Rule

Theorem 3.11: De L'Hopital's Rule

If $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are differentiable in some interval about $x = a$, and $f(a) = g(a)$, and $g'(a) \neq 0$ then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{f'(a)}{g'(a)}$$

or

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$$

Provided both limits exist [Second one used when $g'(a) = 0$]

Proof. Use MVT. Assume $x > a$.

$$\frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} = f'(\zeta)$$

for some $\zeta \in (a, x)$.

Also

$$\frac{g(x) - g(a)}{x - a} = g'(z)$$

for some $z \in (a, x)$.

Now $f(a) = g(a) = 0$. So

$$\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{(x - a)f'(\zeta)}{(x - a)g'(z)} = \frac{f'(\zeta)}{g'(z)}$$

Then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left[\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right] = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left[\frac{f'(\zeta)}{g'(z)} \right]$$

Where $\zeta, z \in (a, x)$. ■

Example 3.12. Find

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1 - \cos x}{x^2} \right]$$

We could also use power series for $\cos(x)$.

Using de L'Hopital:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{(1 - \cos)' }{(x^2)'} \right] \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\sin x}{2x} \right] \quad (\text{still "0/0"}) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\cos x}{2} \right] = \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Example 3.13. Find

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi/2} \left[\frac{\cos x}{\log(\pi/2x)} \right]$$

Using de L'Hopital:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi/2} \left[\frac{\cos x}{\log(\pi/2x)} \right] &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi/2} \left[\frac{-\sin x}{-1/x} \right] \\ &= \frac{-\sin \pi/2}{-1/(\pi/2)} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Example 3.14. Find

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$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \left[\frac{(x-2) \log(x-1)}{\tan^2 \pi x} \right]$$

As $x \rightarrow 2$, the numerator $\rightarrow 0$, denominator $\rightarrow 0$. So we use Del'hop: [Notice you could replace \tan with \sin since $\cos \rightarrow 1$ as $n \rightarrow 2$.]

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \left[\frac{(x-2) \log(x-1)}{\tan^2 \pi x} \right] &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \left[\frac{\log(x-1) + \frac{x-2}{x-1}}{2 \tan \pi x \cdot \sec^2 \pi x \cdot \pi} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi \sec^2 2\pi} \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \left[\frac{\log(x-1) + \frac{(x-1)-1}{x-1}}{\tan \pi x} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot 1} \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \left[\frac{\frac{1}{x-1} + \frac{1}{(x-1)^2}}{\pi \sec^2 \pi x} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[\frac{1+1}{\pi} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi^2} \end{aligned}$$

Note: de L'Hopital's rule also works for expressions of the form " $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$ ", but we haven't justified this. If you believe this, then we can prove:

Proposition 3.15.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{x^n}{e^{\alpha x}} \right] \quad (\alpha, n > 0)$$

i.e. Exponentials “beat” powers.

Proof. Using de L’Hopital’s rule:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{x^n}{e^{\alpha x}} \right] &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{nx^n}{\alpha e^{\alpha x}} \right] \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{n(n-1)x^{n-2}}{\alpha^2 e^{\alpha x}} \right] \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

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Is this proof OK?

Alternative Proof. Consider

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq \frac{x^n}{e^{\alpha x}} &= \frac{x^n}{1 + \alpha x + \frac{1}{2}\alpha^2 x^2 + \cdots + \frac{1}{(n+1)!}\alpha^{n+1}x^{n+1}} \\ &< \frac{x^n}{\frac{1}{(n+1)!}\alpha^{n+1}x^{n+1}} \\ &= \frac{A}{x} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } x \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned}$$

■

It follows (see Problem Sheet 2) that:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x^\alpha (\log x) = 0$$

(where $\alpha > 0$)

* Exponentials “beat” powers which “beats” logs in any struggle. *

Applications of the Mean Value Theorem

Recall MVT: If f is continuous and differentiable on $[a, b]$, then $\exists \zeta \in (a, b)$ such that

$$\frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} = f'(\zeta)$$

RHS is unknown. But if f' can be bounded in some way, we can estimate things well.

Example 3.16. What is $\sin^{-1}(0.7)$?

Use the MVT. Let $f(x) = \sin^{-1}(x)$, $a = 0.7$, $b = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = 0.7071$. Then $\sin^{-1}(b) = \frac{\pi}{4}$.

Also $f'(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$, so the MVT says:

$$\frac{\sin^{-1}(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}) - \sin^{-1}(0.7)}{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} - 0.7} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}$$

For $0.7 < \zeta < 0.7071$.

Now $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$ is an increasing function. So

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-(0.7)^2}} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}^2}} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\frac{\frac{\pi}{4} - \sin^{-1}(0.7)}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - 0.7} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} < \sqrt{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \implies \frac{\pi}{4} - \sin^{-1}(0.7) &< \sqrt{2}(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - 0.7) \\ &= 1 - 0.7\sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\implies \sin^{-1}(0.7) > \frac{\pi}{4} - 1 + 0.7\sqrt{2}$$

Example 3.17. What is $\sin(1)$?

Let $f(x) = \sin x$, $a = 1$, $b = \frac{\pi}{3}$. Then by the MVT:

$$\frac{\sin(\pi/3) - \sin(1)}{\pi/3 - 1} = \cos \zeta < 1$$

$$\implies -(\frac{\pi}{3} - 1) < \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \sin(1) < \frac{\pi}{3} - 1$$

$$\implies \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{\pi}{3} + 1 < \sin(1) < \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{\pi}{3} - 1$$

Taylor's Theorem

Lecture 17 *Can we generalise the mean value theorem for functions with many derivative?*

We can write

$$f(x) = f(a) + (x-a)f'(a) + \frac{1}{2}(x-a)^2 f''(a) + \cdots + \frac{1}{n!}(x-a)^n f^{(n)}(a) + E_n$$

Where E_n is the error after $n+1$ terms of the Taylor series.

Theorem 3.18: Taylor's Theorem

The error term in the Taylor Expansion

$$E_n = \int_a^x \frac{f^{(n+1)}(t)(x-t)^n}{n!} dt = \frac{(x-a)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} f^{(n+1)}(\zeta)$$

Proof. We do this by induction. Note that when $n=0$ the RHS is

$$f(a) + \int_a^x f'(t) dt = f(a) + [f(t)]_a^x = f(a) + f(x) - f(a) = f(x)$$

and equals the LHS.

We assume that Taylor's theorem holds when $n=k$. Then integrating by parts, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= f(a) + (x-a)f'(a) + \cdots + \frac{1}{k!}(x-a)^k f^{(k)}(a) + \int_a^x \frac{f^{(k+1)}(t)(x-t)^k}{k!} dt \\ &= f(a) + \cdots + \left[\frac{f^{(k+1)}(t)(x-t)^{k+1}}{k!(k+1)(-1)} \right]_a^x + \int_a^x \frac{f^{(k+2)}(t)(x-t)^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} dt \\ &= f(a) + \cdots + \frac{f^{(k+1)}(a)(x-a)^{k+1}}{k!(k+1)(-1)} + \int_a^x \frac{f^{(k+2)}(t)(x-t)^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} dt \end{aligned}$$

So the theorem also holds for $n=k+1$. Hence by induction it holds for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Now by the Intermediate Value Theorem, in the interval $[a, x]$, $f^{(n+1)}$ attains a maximum value M and minimum value m :

$$\begin{aligned} m &\leq f^{(n+1)}(t) \leq M \\ \implies \frac{m(x-t)^n}{n!} &\leq \frac{f^{(n+1)}(t)(x-t)^n}{n!} \leq \frac{M(x-t)^n}{n!} \\ \implies \int_a^x \frac{m(x-t)^n}{n!} &\leq \int_a^x \frac{f^{(n+1)}(t)(x-t)^n}{n!} \leq \int_a^x \frac{M(x-t)^n}{n!} \\ \implies \frac{m(x-a)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} &\leq \int_a^x \frac{f^{(n+1)}(t)(x-t)^n}{n!} \leq \frac{M(x-a)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \end{aligned}$$

So for $\zeta \in (a, x)$, we also have

$$E_n = \frac{(x-a)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} f^{(n+1)}(\zeta)$$

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Note: If $n = 0$, Taylor's theorem becomes the Mean Value Theorem

$$f(x) = f(a) + E_0 = f(a) + \frac{(x-a)}{1!} f'(\zeta)$$

Example 3.19. What is $\sinh(1)$?

$$\sinh = x + \frac{x^3}{3!} + E$$

By Taylor's theorem:

$$E = \frac{x^5}{5!} (\sinh \zeta)^{(5)} = \frac{x^5}{5!} \cosh \zeta, \quad 0 < \zeta < x$$

When $x = 1$

$$E = \frac{1}{5!} \cosh \zeta, \quad 0 < \zeta < x$$

As $\cosh \zeta = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2}$ is an increasing function, so

$$\cosh \zeta < \frac{e + e^{-1}}{2} < e < 3$$

So

$$E < \frac{3}{5!} = \frac{3}{120} = \frac{1}{40} = 0.025$$

Example 3.20. Improve yesterday's approximation of $\sin(1)$.

Use Taylor series about $x = \frac{\pi}{3} = a$ in formula:

$$\begin{aligned} \sin(1) &= \sin(\pi/3) + (1 - \pi/3) \cos(\pi/3) + \frac{1}{2}(1 - \pi/3)^2 (-\sin(\pi/3)) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{6}(1 - \pi/3)^3 (-\cos \pi/3) + \frac{1}{4!}(1 - \pi/3)^4 \sin \zeta \end{aligned}$$

where $1 < \zeta < \pi/3$.

So approximately:

$$\sin(1) \approx \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}(1 - \pi/3) + \frac{1}{2}(1 - \pi/3)^2 \left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{6}(1 - \pi/3)^3 - \frac{1}{2}$$

Error $< \frac{1}{24} \left(\frac{1}{20}\right)^4$ since $\frac{\pi}{3} \equiv 1.0472 < 1.05$.

So we can reliably and methodically approximate any differentiable function near any point by a polynomial and guarantee that our error is as small as we like.

Note: General power series expansions about $x = a$ take the form

$$f(x) = c_0 + c_1(x-a) + c_2(x-a)^2 + c_3(x-a)^3 + \dots$$

Let $y = x - a$

$$f(y+a) = g(y) = c_0 + c_1 y + c_2 y^2 + \dots$$

If you are asked for an expansion about $x = 1$, say,

$$f(x) = c_0 + c_1(x - 1) + c_2(x - 1)^2 + \mathcal{O}(x - 1)^3$$

Don't write this as $d_0 + d_1x + d_2x^2 + \mathcal{O}(x - 1)^3$

Stationary Points

Lecture 18 Most important practical use of differentiation is in finding maxima and minima of functions. Formally

Definition. A *stationary point* of a differentiable function $f(x)$ is a point $(a, f'(a))$ where $f'(a) = 0$.

Such a point may be

- Maximum
- Minimum
- Neither

Near such a point, we can expand (if f is suitably differentiable):

$$f(x) = f(a) + (x - a)f'(a) + \frac{1}{2}(x - a)^2f''(a) + \frac{1}{6}(x - a)^3f'''(a) + \dots$$

So at a stationary point

$$f(x) = f(a) + \frac{1}{2}(x - a)^2f''(a) + \mathcal{O}(x - a)^3$$

Hence if

- $f''(a) > 0$ we have a local minimum.
- $f''(a) < 0$ we have a local maximum.
- $f''(a) = 0$ then we have...

$$f(x) = f(a) + \frac{1}{6}(x - a)^3f'''(a) + \mathcal{O}(x - a)^4$$

- If $f'''(a) \neq 0$, then $f(x)$ increases / decreases as we increase / decrease from $x = a$ - this is neither a maximum or minimum.
- If $f'(a) = 0 = f''(a) = f'''(a)$, then we have

$$f(x) = f(a) + \frac{1}{24}f''''(a)(x - a)^4$$

Usually if $f'(a) = 0$, we look at the sign of $f''(a)$ and that would be enough.

Use your intelligence... for instance

Example 3.21. Suppose

$$f'(x) = \sin x e^{-[(x^2+a^2)^{1/2} + \log[\sinh^{-1}(2x^3)]]}$$

Note that $f'(\pi) = 0$. What is $f''(\pi)$?

At a point where $u = 0$, $(uv)' = u'(a)v(a) + 0$, so

$$f''(\pi) = \cos \pi e^{-[(\pi^2+a^2)^{1/2} + \dots]}$$

Alternatively look at the sign of $f'(a - \epsilon)$ and $f'(a + \epsilon)$ as $\epsilon > 0$.

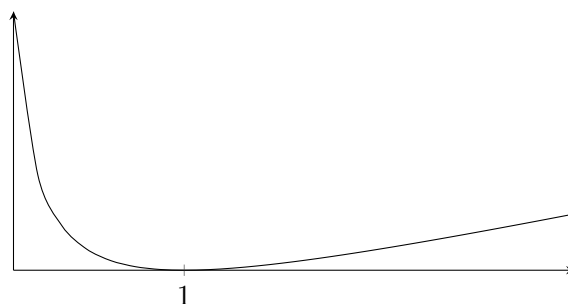
We can also use the fact that a differentiable function on a closed interval attains its maximum and minimum values *either* at an end point *or* at a stationary point.

Example 3.22.

$$f(x) = x + \frac{1}{x}$$

$$f'(a) = 1 - \frac{1}{x^2} = 0 \text{ at } x = \pm 1$$

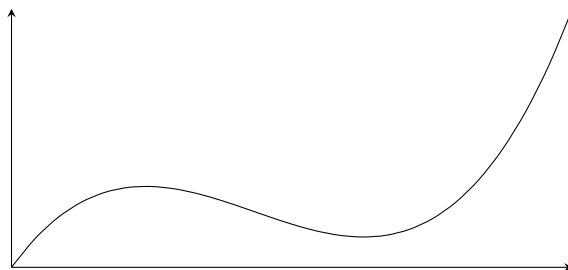
Looking at the graph...



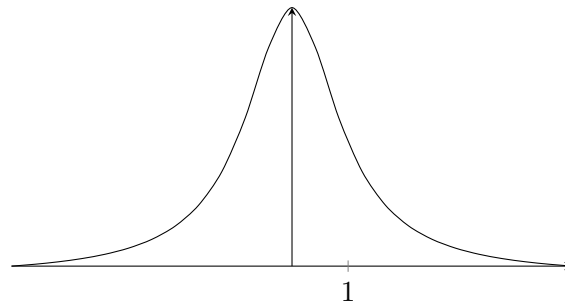
So $x = 1$ *must* be a minimum.

Points of Inflexion / Inflection

Definition. A point of *inflexion* is where $f''(x) = 0$. It is *not* necessary for $f'(x)$ to also be zero.

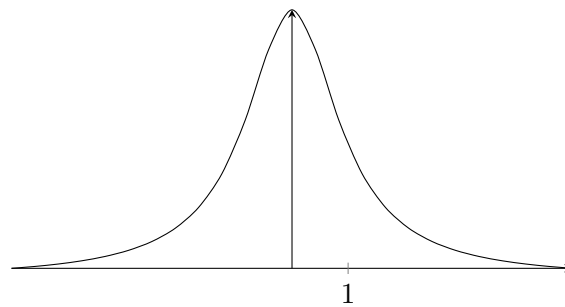


By Rolle's Theorem \exists a point where $(f')' = 0$ between the zeros of f' .



Curve Plotting

It's very important to be able to give a schematic sketch of a function, i.e. the graph $y = f(x)$. This is *not* the best way of defining a curve. $y = f(x)$ has only one y value for each x value.



Parametric Curves

Definition. The parametric definition is of the form

$$x = f(t), y = g(t) \text{ in } a \leq t \leq b$$

which defines *any* curve for suitable f, g and parameter t .

Example 3.23.

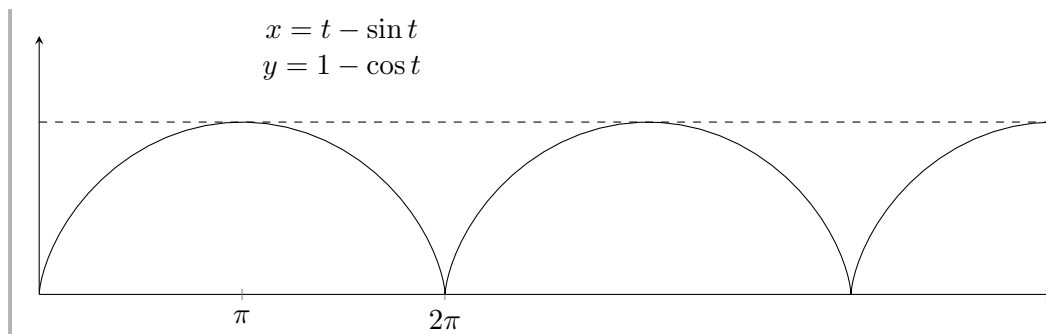
$$x = t - \sin t, y = 1 - \cos t \} 0 < t$$

What is $\frac{dy}{dx}$?

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{dy}{dt} \cdot \frac{dt}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dt} / \frac{dx}{dt} \\ &= \frac{\sin t}{1 - \cos t} \\ &= \frac{2 \sin \frac{t}{2} \cos \frac{t}{2}}{2 \sin^2 \frac{t}{2}} \\ &= \cot \frac{t}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Now $\frac{dy}{dx} = \cot \frac{t}{2}$ is infinite at $t = 0$, 0 at $t = \pi$, infinite at $t = 2\pi$.

At $t = 0, x = 0, y = 0$. Note that $0 \leq y \leq 2$.



This plots the path of a point on the circumference of a wheel as it moves down a road - a *cycloid*.

There are more than one way of parameterising a curve.

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Example 3.24 (Hyperbola).

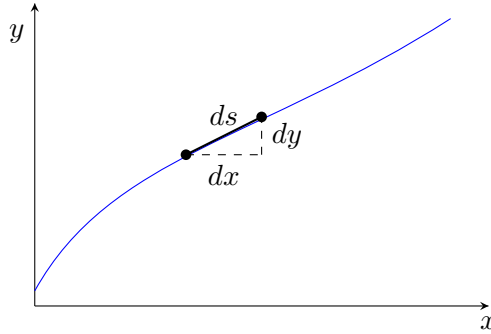
$$x^2 - y^2 = 1.$$

Arc length

If I move along a curve $y = y(x)$, a small distance

$$(x, y) \rightarrow (x + \delta x, y + \delta y)$$

then the distance moved is δs where $\delta s^2 = \delta x^2 + \delta y^2$:



More formally:

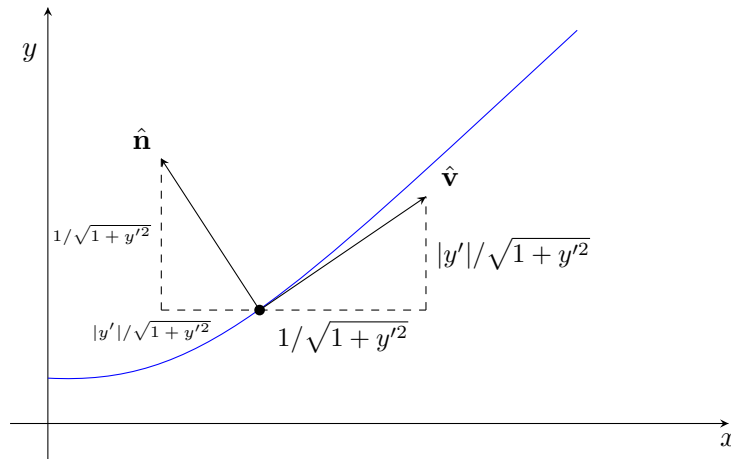
$$ds^2 = dx^2 + dy^2 \text{ is the limit as } \delta x \rightarrow 0$$

or

$$\left(\frac{ds}{dt}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2$$

$$\lim_{\delta t \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\delta x}{\delta t}\right) = \frac{dx}{dt}$$

by definition.



$$\tan \psi = \frac{dy}{dx}, \cos \psi = \frac{dx}{ds}, \sin \psi = \frac{dy}{ds}$$

Definition.

$\left. \begin{array}{l} s \text{ arc length} \\ \psi \text{ tangent angle} \end{array} \right\}$ these are known as *intrinsic coordinates*

Definition. As we move along a curve, the tangent angle, ψ may change. We define the *curvature*, κ , to be

$$\kappa = \frac{d\psi}{ds}$$

The rate of change of angle with distance along the curve.

How can we relate this to Cartesian coordinates?

$$\tan \psi = \frac{dy}{dx}, \cos \psi = \frac{dx}{ds}, \kappa = \frac{d\psi}{ds} = \frac{d\psi}{dx} \frac{dx}{ds}$$

Differentiate $\tan \psi$ with respect to x implicitly

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx}(\tan \psi) = \sec^2 \psi \frac{d\psi}{dx}$$

Hence

$$\kappa = \frac{\cos \psi \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}}{\sec^2 \psi} = \frac{y''}{\sec^2 \psi}$$

Now $\sec^2 \psi = 1 + \tan^2 \psi = 1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2$. Hence

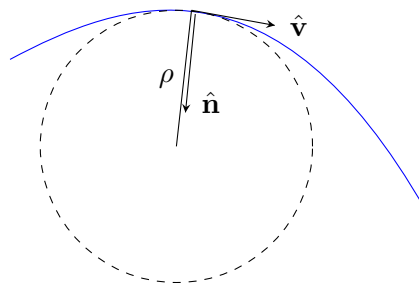
$$\kappa = \frac{y''}{(1 + (y')^2)^{3/2}}$$

where $y' = \frac{dy}{dx}$, $y'' = \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}$.

Definition. We also define the *radius of curvature*.

$$\rho = \frac{1}{\kappa} = \frac{ds}{d\psi} = \frac{(1 + (y')^2)^{3/2}}{y''}$$

This is the radius of the osculating circle:



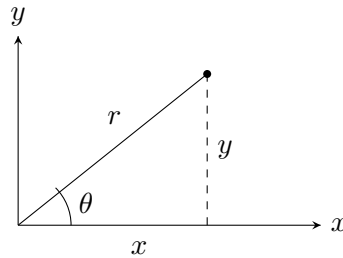
Polar Coordinates

Definition. Given a point (x, y) we can define

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \geq 0$$

and

$$\theta = \begin{cases} \arctan(y/x) & \text{if } x > 0 \\ \pi - \arctan(y/x) & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$



Our definition of θ is cumbersome, ugly, confusing and messy, so we instead define

$$\theta := \begin{cases} \cos \theta = \frac{x}{r} \\ \sin \theta = \frac{y}{r} \end{cases} \quad \text{say } 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow x = r \cos \theta, y = r \sin \theta$$

We can define a curve by $r = f(\theta)$ if we want.

Example 3.25.

$$r = \frac{l}{1 + e \cos \theta}$$

Where l and e are constants. (See M1A1 MECHANICS)

How do we plot such a curve?

- (a) Join the dots. Find points on the curve to get an idea of how it looks.
- (b) Regard Polar Coordinates as a parametric definition.

We know

$$x = r \cos \theta, y = r \sin \theta, r = \frac{1}{1 - 2 \cos \theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{\cos \theta}{1 - 2 \cos \theta}, y = \frac{\sin \theta}{1 - 2 \cos \theta}$$

- (c) Try to transform to Cartesian.

$$\begin{aligned} r = \frac{1}{1 - 2 \cos \theta} &\Rightarrow r - 2r \cos \theta = 1 \\ &\Rightarrow r = 1 + 2x \\ &\Leftrightarrow \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = 1 + 2x \\ &\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 = (1 + 2x)^2 = 4x^2 + 4x + 1 \\ &\Rightarrow 3x^2 + 2x - y^2 + 1 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Squaring introduces spurious branch of hyperbola. We need to try another approach...

$$\begin{aligned}
 r = \frac{1}{1 + e \cos \theta} &\implies r + ex = 1 \\
 &\implies r^2 = (1 - ex)^2 \\
 &\implies x^2 + y^2 = 1 - 2ex + e^2x^2 \\
 &\implies x^2(1 - e^2) + 2ex + y^2 = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

We have a conic:

- $e = 0$ - Circle
- $e = 1$ - Parabola
- $0 < e < 1$ - Ellipse
- $e > 1$ - Hyperbola

$$\begin{aligned}
 x^2 + \frac{2e}{1 - e^2}x + \frac{y^2}{1 - e^2} &= \frac{1}{1 - e^2} \\
 \implies \left(x + \frac{e}{1 - e^2}\right)^2 + \frac{y^2}{1 - e^2} &= \frac{1}{1 - e^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

So the foci is at $\left(-\frac{e}{1 - e^2}, 0\right)$.

Sometimes we cannot easily transform to Cartesian. e.g. $r = \frac{1}{\theta}$ for $\theta > 0$.

4 Integration

The Riemann Integral

Note: Covered rigorously in M2PM2 ANALYSIS II.

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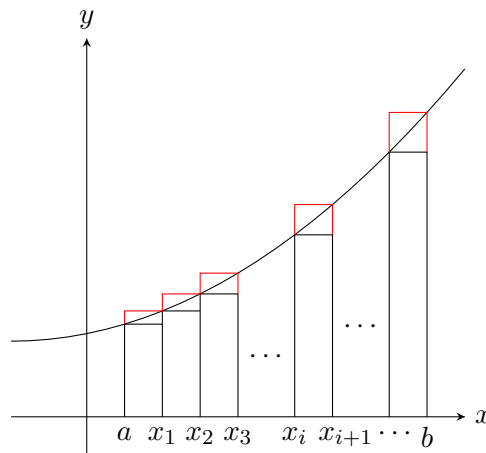
Definition. Given an interval $[a, b]$, we define a *partition* to be a set of n points, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n such that

$$a \equiv x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n < x_{n+1} \equiv b$$

For a given partition, we choose points on each subinterval, $\xi_0, \xi_1, \dots, \xi_n$ such that for all i , $x_i < \xi_i < x_{i+1}$. Then for each function $f(x)$, we define the *Riemann sum* to be

$$S_n = (x_1 - x_0)f(\xi_0) + (x_2 - x_1)f(\xi_1) + \dots + (x_{n+1} - x_n)f(\xi_n)$$

Pictorially, we are forming $n + 1$ rectangles whose sum resembles the area under the curve $y = f(x)$. The upper sum is the total area of the red rectangles, while the lower sum is the total area of the black rectangles:



We now let $n \rightarrow \infty$ in such a manner than $(x_{i+1} - x_i) \rightarrow 0$ for all i .

Definition. If the sequence S_n tends to a limit, and if this limit does not depend on the particular partitions nor the value of ξ we choose, we can write this as the *definite integral* of $f(x)$ between $x = a$ and $x = b$.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

The function $f(x)$ is the *integrand*.

As the integral is a generalisation of a sum, it behaves similarly to one. Various properties follow from the definition, for example:

Theorem 4.1: Mean Value Theorem for Integrals

Suppose f is integrable in $[a, b]$. Then $\exists \xi \in (a, b)$, such that

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = (b - a)f(\xi)$$

Proof. Being integrable, f is bounded by $m \leq f(x) \leq M$, so then

$$m(b - a) \leq \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq M(b - a)$$

Suppose m and M are the minimum and maximum values attained by a continuous function f over $[a, b]$ then $(b - a)f(x)$ attains every value between $(b - a)m$ and $(b - a)M$ in $[a, b]$. In particular the value equal to the integral. ■

Theorem 4.2: Fundamental Theorem of Calculus

Differentiation is the reverse of integration:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \int_a^x f(t) dt = f(x)$$

Proof. If we fix the lower limit a then $f(x)$ defines another function:

$$F(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt$$

It follows that for any c and d

$$\int_c^d f(t) dt = \int_a^d f(t) dt - \int_a^c f(t) dt = F(d) - F(c).$$

Consider now

$$\int_x^{x+h} f(t) dt = F(x + h) - F(x)$$

By the Mean Value Theorem for Integrals (Theorem 4.2), $\exists \xi \in (x, x + h)$ such that

$$F(x + h) - F(x) = (x + h - x)f(\xi)$$

Thus

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{F(x + h) - F(x)}{h} \right] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(\xi)$$

As $h \rightarrow 0$, $\xi \rightarrow x$. Thus the limit on the RHS exists and equals $f(x)$, and so $F(x)$ is differentiable with derivative $f(x)$, so

$$\frac{d}{dx} \int_a^x f(t) dt = f(x)$$

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What sort of functions are integrable?

- (a) Continuous functions. f continuous on $[a, b] \implies \int_a^b f(x) dx$ exists
 - (b) Functions with a single *finite* jump
 - (c) Functions with a finite number of finite jumps
 - (d) If there are an infinite number of discontinuities we're not sure. Integrable.
 - (e) If the function has an infinite discontinuity (i.e. it is unbounded) integral may or may not exist.
 - (f) If either or both limit (a or b) is infinite, the integral may or may not exist.
- (e) and (f) are important.

Integrals over infinite ranges

Does $\int_0^\infty f(x) dx$ exist?

Assume $f(x)$ is continuous.

$$\int_0^\infty f(x) dx = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^N f(x) dx$$

Clearly

- (a) $f(x) = x$, the limit does not exist $\int_0^N x dx = \frac{1}{2}N^2 \rightarrow \infty$
- (b) $f(x) = 1$ limit does not exist similarly.
- (c) $f(x) = \sin x$

We might surmise that a necessary condition for $\int_0^\infty f(x) dx$ to exist is that $f(x) \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$. In fact this is not true. $\int_0^\infty \sin(x^2) dx$ does not exist - this is not obvious.

What is true, is that if $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = A \neq 0$, then integral does not exist.

Suppose $f(x) \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$. In particular, if $f(x) \approx \frac{1}{x^\alpha}$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$, then $\int_0^\infty f(x) dx$ exists iff $\alpha > 1$.

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Theorem 4.3

If $f(x)$ is integrable and $|f(x)| < \frac{A}{x^\alpha}$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ if $\alpha > 1$. Then $\int_0^\infty f(x) dx$ exists.

What if $f(x)$ has an infinite discontinuity?

E.g.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x^2} & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}$$

Does $\int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx$ exist?

Look at

$$\int_{-1}^{-\delta} + \int_{-\delta}^{\epsilon} + \int_{\epsilon}^1, \text{ where } \delta, \epsilon > 0.$$

So only the behaviour very close to the singularity is important.

Consider

$$\int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^\alpha} dx, \text{ define as } \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{\epsilon}^1 \frac{1}{x^\alpha} dx$$

Then we consider

$$\frac{[x^{1-\alpha}]_{\epsilon}^1}{1-\alpha} = \frac{1 - \epsilon^{1-\alpha}}{1-\alpha}$$

Exercise: Calculate $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 1}$ of the equation.

Now let $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$:

- If $\alpha > 0$, $\epsilon^{1-\alpha} \rightarrow \infty \implies$ integral does not exist.
- If $\alpha < 1$, $\epsilon^{1-\alpha} \rightarrow 0 \implies$ integral does exist.
- If $\alpha = 1$, we get $\int_{\epsilon}^1 \frac{1}{x} dx = \log \epsilon \rightarrow \infty$ as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$.

So if $f \rightarrow \infty$ at $x = 0$ and otherwise continuous, $\int_0^1 f dx$ will exist if $f \approx \frac{1}{x^\alpha}$ where $\alpha < 1$ near $x = 0$. Similarly if $f(x)$ has a singularity at $x = c$ say, we need $f \approx \frac{1}{(x-c)^\alpha}$ where $\alpha < 1$ near $x = c$ for integral to exist.

Example 4.4.

$$\int_0^x \frac{e^x}{(x-1)^{1/3}} dx$$

The only problem is at $x = 1$. Near $x = 1$,

$$\text{Integral} \approx \int \frac{e}{(x-1)^{1/3}} dx$$

The power is $-\frac{1}{3}$ at the singularity, so as $\alpha = \frac{1}{3} < 1 \implies$ integral does exist.

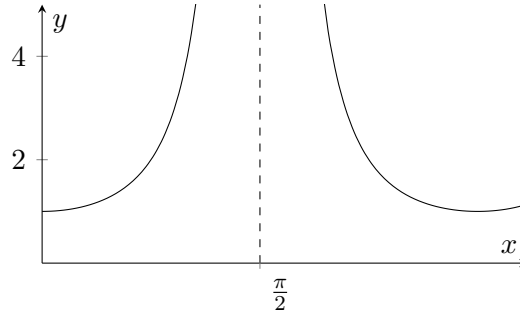
Functions with a finite number of ($\alpha < 1$), “not too bad” infinite singularities as integrable.

Example 4.5.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\frac{3\pi}{4}} \sec^2 x dx &= [\tan x]_0^{\frac{3\pi}{4}} \\ &= \tan \frac{3\pi}{4} - \tan 0 \\ &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

But... $\sec^2 x > 0 \implies \int \sec^2 x > 0$.

So what has gone wrong? $\sec^2 x$ has a singularity at $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$:



$$\begin{aligned}\cos x &\approx \cos \frac{\pi}{2} + (x - \frac{\pi}{2})(-1) + \frac{1}{2}(x - \frac{\pi}{2})^2 \cdot 0 \\ &= 0 + (\frac{\pi}{2} - x)\end{aligned}$$

Near $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$, $\sec^2 x = \frac{1}{(\frac{\pi}{2} - x)^2}$. So $\alpha = 2 > 1 \implies$ not integrable.

Hence

$$\int_0^{\frac{3\pi}{4}} \sec^2 x \, dx = \infty \neq -1$$



Warning. Important to look at Infinities!!

Theorem 4.6: Integration by Substitution

$$\int_{\phi(a)}^{\phi(b)} f(x) \, dx = \int_a^b f(\phi(t)) \phi'(t) \, dt$$

Proof. Using the chain rule:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx} [F(\phi(t))] &= F'(\phi(t)) \cdot \phi'(t) \\ &= f(\phi(t)) \cdot \phi'(t)\end{aligned}$$

Suppose $F(x) = \int^x f(s) \, ds$, then $F'(x) = f(x)$. Now integrating with respect to t :

$$\begin{aligned}\int_a^b \frac{d}{dt} [F(\phi(t))] \, dt &= \int_a^b f(\phi(t)) \cdot \phi'(t) \, dt \\ F(\phi(b)) - F(\phi(a)) &= \int_a^b f(\phi(t)) \cdot \phi'(t) \, dt \\ \int_{\phi(a)}^{\phi(b)} f(x) \, dx &= \int_a^b f(\phi(t)) \cdot \phi'(t) \, dt\end{aligned}$$

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So starting with

$$\int_{\phi(a)}^{\phi(b)} f(x) \, dx$$

we can make a substitution $x = \phi(t)$. Replace dx by $\phi'(t) \, dt$ and replace the limits accordingly. This is very useful for evaluating integrals. But this is even more useful:

Theorem 4.7: Integration by Parts

$$\int_a^b uv' dx = [uv]_a^b - \int_a^b u'v dx$$

Proof. Recall the product rule: $\frac{d}{dx}(uv) = \frac{du}{dx}v + \frac{dv}{dx}u$.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b \frac{d}{dx}(uv) dx &= \int_a^b \frac{du}{dx}v dx + \int_a^b u \frac{dv}{dx} dx \\ [uv]_a^b &= \int_a^b u'v dx + \int_a^b uv' dx \\ \Rightarrow \int_a^b uv' dx &= [uv]_a^b - \int_a^b u'v dx \end{aligned}$$

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This enables us to transform an integral into another integral which may be easier to evaluate, for example:

Example 4.8.

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$$\int_0^1 \tan^{-1} x dx = I$$

Treat this as $1 \cdot \tan^{-1} x$ - $\tan^{-1} x$ is easy to differentiate.

$$\begin{aligned} I &= [x \tan^{-1} x]_0^1 - \int_0^1 x \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx \\ &= \pi - 0 - \left[\frac{1}{2} \log(1+x^2) \right]_0^1 \\ &= \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \log 2 \end{aligned}$$

Evaluation of Integrals

Any integral is an answer - it defines a function in its own right. *Some* (only a few) integrals can be expressed in terms of known functions, e.g. $\sin, \log, \sqrt{}$ etc. Such simplifications are useful - we call this *evaluating* the integral.

What kind of integrals can we evaluate?

- (a) Polynomials \rightarrow Polynomials
- (b) Any power series \rightarrow Another power series
- (c) Rational functions $\frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$, where P, Q are Polynomials.

We use partial fractions to express rational fractions as

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \frac{A_i}{x - \alpha_i} + \frac{B_i x + c_i}{x^2 + \beta_i x + \gamma_i} \text{ etc.}$$

Example 4.9.

$$\begin{aligned}\int \frac{dx}{x^3 + 1} &= \int \frac{dx}{(x+1)(x^2 - x + 1)} \\ &= \int \frac{1/3}{x+1} + \frac{-1/3x + 2/3}{x^2 - x + 1} dx\end{aligned}$$

Reduction Formulae

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If we were an integral with a parameter, n (usually an integer), we can sometimes relate it to a similar integral with a smaller value of a (usually by integrating by parts)

Example 4.10.

$$\begin{aligned}I_n &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^n x \, dx \quad n \geq 1 \\ &= \int_1^{\pi/2} \sin x \sin^{n-1} x \, dx \\ &= [-\cos x - \sin^{-1} x]_0^{\pi/2} - \int_0^{\pi/2} (-\cos x)(n-1) \sin^{n-2} x \cdot \cos x \, dx \\ &= \int_0^{\pi/2} (n-1) \cos^2 x \sin^{n-2} x \, dx\end{aligned}$$

Path Integrals

5 First order Differential Equations

For the last couple lectures he just went over his handout on First order ODEs... this is covered in the first few pages of M1M2.

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