

Math 222 Lec 3

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epsilon-delta proofs of limits

Steps for $\varepsilon - \delta$ proof:

1. Begin "given $\varepsilon > 0$, choose $\delta = \dots$ "
2. Suppose $\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a}\| < \delta$
3. Check that $\|\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) - L\| < \varepsilon$ **
 - (a) In doing so, try to change the LHS to be some multiple of δ . Then conclude $c\delta = \varepsilon$ satisfies our requirements for δ
 - (b) if in evaluating $\|\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) - L\|$, we end up with some multiple of our δ bound times a factor involving x (call it β), we need to take an add'l step
 - (c) Note that $\delta = \min(1, \text{ValueWeSolveFor})$. Then $\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a}\| < 1$ and $-1 < \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a}\| < 1$. Manipulate this inequality so that the $x - a$ term resembles β . Then note that $\beta < 1$... Plug that back into **, thus concluding that $\delta = \min(1, d\varepsilon)$ for some d , which means $\delta \leq d\varepsilon$.

Tips for $\varepsilon - \delta$ proof: Remember:

1. Triangle inequality: $\|\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}\| \leq \|\mathbf{a}\| + \|\mathbf{b}\|$
2. Any term under a radical will always be positive. Apply this will often let us simplify inequalities by striking out radical terms.

Computing limits

Tips:

1. l'hospital's.
 - (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1$
2. Can replace complicated terms like xy in $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos xy}{xy}$, yielding $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos t}{t}$
3. If don't see a way to simplify the limit, try checking whether it doesn't exist. Plug in approaches from various paths.

Definition 1 (Differentiable). $f : U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto \mathbb{R}^m$ is **differentiable** at \vec{x}_0 if

1. All partials of f exist at \vec{x}_0
2. The tangent plane at x_0 provides a linear approximation of $f(\vec{x}_0)$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{\|f(\vec{x}) - (f(\vec{x}_0) + Df(x_0)(x - x_0))\|}{\|x - x_0\|} = 0$$

Definition 2 (C^1). Let $f : U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto \mathbb{R}^m$. $f \in C^1$ iff the partials of f exist and are **continuous** in a neighborhood of \vec{x}_0 .

Remark. $f \in C^1$ (is continuous and has continuous partials) $\implies f$ is differentiable $\implies f \in C^0$ (is continuous)