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## W7 Lecture 12 Notes

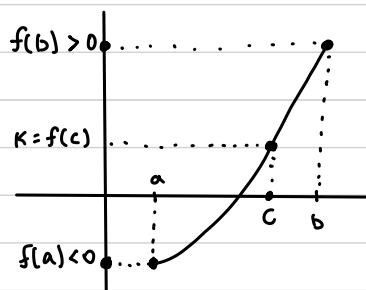
$$S \subset \mathbb{R}, x \in S$$

$$\inf S = m, x \geq m \quad | \quad \text{---} \quad | \quad x \leq M, \sup S = M$$

1. LUB Axiom - if set  $S$  is bound from above, then it has a Supremum
2. GLB Axiom - if set  $S$  is bound from below, then it has an Infimum.

### The Intermediate Value Theorem

If  $f(x)$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , then for any  $K \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f(a) < K < f(b)$  there exists at least one  $c \in (a, b)$  such that  $f(c) = K$ .

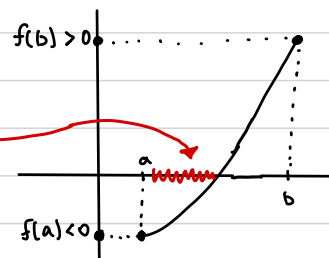


Lemma

If  $f(x)$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and  $f(a) < 0 < f(b)$  then there exists at least one number  $c \in (a, b)$  such that  $f(c) = 0$ . (when  $K=0$ )

### Lemma Proof:

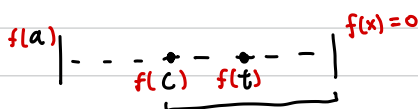
$f(x)$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  }  $\Rightarrow$  then there exists such  
 $f(a) < 0, f(b) > 0$  } number  $\xi(x_i)$  that  
 $f(x)$  is negative on  $[a, \xi] = S$



Set  $S$  is bounded from above by  $b$ , so it has a supremum.  
(by LUB Axiom)

Assume  $\sup S = c$  ( $c \neq b$ , because  $f(b) > 0$  and  $f(x) < 0$  on set  $S$ , so  $c < b$ )

$c < b$   $\begin{cases} \rightarrow f(c) > 0 \text{ (not possible because } f(x) < 0 \text{ on set } S) \\ \rightarrow f(c) < 0 \text{ (not possible because if } f(c) < 0 \text{ then there exists such number } t \text{ that } f(x) \text{ is negative on } [a, t]) \end{cases}$



But if  $f(x) < 0$  on  $[a, t]$  then  $t = \sup S$ , which contradicts our definition of  $\sup S$ .

$$f(c) = 0$$

Therefore  $f(c) = 0$

QED

## IVT Proof:

Introduce  $g(x) = f(x) - K$ ,  $\forall K \in (f(a), f(b))$

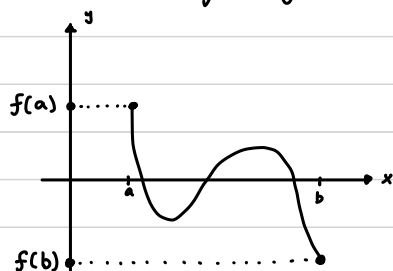
$\left. \begin{array}{l} g(b) = f(b) - K > 0 \\ g(a) = f(a) - K < 0 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow$  by lemma, there exists such number  $c \in (a, b)$  that  $g(c) = 0$

$$g(c) = 0, \quad g(c) = f(c) - K = 0 \\ f(c) = K$$

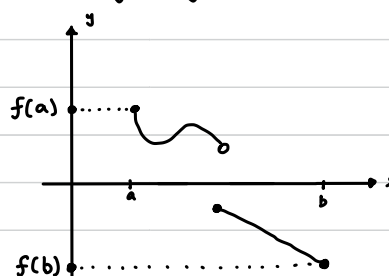
QED

## Corollary for IVT:

$f(x)$  can change sign at roots



$f(x)$  can change sign at a discontinuity.



## Example:

1. Show that  $f(x) = x^3 - x - 1$  has a root on interval  $[1, 2]$ .

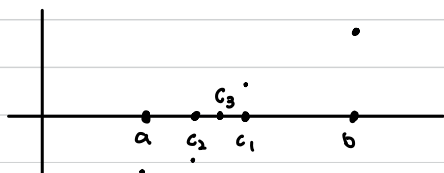
$f(x)$  has a root on  $[1, 2]$  means that there exists such number  $c \in (1, 2)$  that  $f(c) = 0$ . To prove this, we can use IVT.

$f(x) = x^3 - x - 1$  must satisfy all the conditions of IVT.

- ①  $f(x)$  is continuous on  $[1, 2]$  because we proved that cubic and linear functions are continuous on their domains.
- ②  $\left. \begin{array}{l} f(1) = 1 - 1 - 1 = -1 < 0 \\ f(2) = 8 - 2 - 1 = 5 > 0 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow -1 < f(x) < 5$

Therefore by IVT there exists such number  $c \in (1, 2)$  that  $f(c) = 0$ , so  $x = c$  is the root of  $f(x)$  on the interval  $[1, 2]$ .

Method of bisections

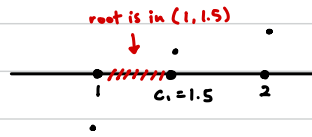


## 1st Approximation

$C_1 = 1 + \frac{2-1}{2} = 1.5$ ,  $f(1) < 0$  and  $f(1.5) > 0$ , so root is between 1 and 1.5 ( $1, 1.5$ )

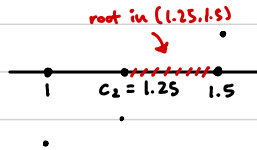
$$f(1.5) = 0.875 > 0$$

$$f(1) = -1 < 0$$



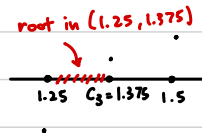
## 2nd Approximation

$C_2 = 1 + \frac{1.5-1}{2} = 1.25$ ,  $f(1) = -1 < 0$  and  $f(1.25) = -0.296 < 0$ , so root is in  $(1.25, 1.5)$



## 3rd Approximation

$C_3 = 1.25 + \frac{1.5-1.25}{2} = 1.375$ ,  $f(1.375) = 0.224 > 0$  and  $f(1.25) = -0.296 < 0$



## 4th Approximation

$C_4 = 1.25 + \frac{1.375-1.25}{2} = 1.3125$ ,  $f(1.3125) = -0.0515 < 0$  and  $f(1.375) = 0.224 > 0$ .

We can choose

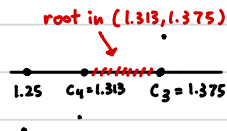
$$C_5 = 1.313 + \frac{1.375-1.313}{2}$$

$$= 1.344 \text{ or we can}$$

continue the algorithm as

long as we need to

obtain a higher accuracy.



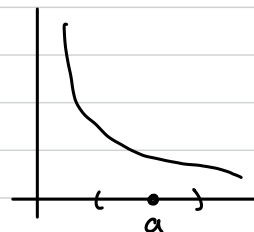
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2. Prove  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$  is continuous on its domain.

This means that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}}$ ;  $\text{Dom } f(x) = (0, \infty)$

Aside:  $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0$  s.t.  $|x - a| < \delta \Rightarrow \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \right| < \epsilon$

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \right| &= \left| \frac{\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x}\sqrt{a}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{x}} \right| = \left| \frac{a - x}{\sqrt{x}\sqrt{a}(\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{x})} \right| = \frac{|a - x|}{\sqrt{x}\sqrt{a}(\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{x})} \\ &< \frac{\delta}{\sqrt{a}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{x}} \\ &< \frac{\delta}{\sqrt{a}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{a}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}\delta}{\sqrt{a^3}} \end{aligned}$$



We do not want to choose a delta that crosses over to asymptote

Guess  $\delta = \frac{\sqrt{a^3}\epsilon}{\sqrt{2}}$

Given  $\epsilon > 0$ , choose  $\delta = \min \left\{ \frac{|a|}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{a^3}}{\sqrt{2}} \epsilon \right\}$ . Then if  $|x - a| < \delta$  we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \right| &\dots\dots = \frac{|x - a|}{\sqrt{x}\sqrt{a}(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{a})} < \frac{\delta \cdot \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{a^3}} = \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{a^3}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{a^3}}{\sqrt{2}} \epsilon \\ &= \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

QED

To estimate  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$ , let  $\delta \leq \frac{|a|}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned} |a - x| &= |x - a| < \frac{|a|}{2} \\ -\frac{|a|}{2} &< x - a < \frac{|a|}{2} \\ a - \frac{a}{2} &< x < \frac{a}{2} + a \\ \frac{a}{2} &< x < \frac{3}{2}a \\ \sqrt{\frac{a}{2}} &< \sqrt{x} < \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}a} \\ \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} &> \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} > \sqrt{\frac{2}{3a}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} &< \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \end{aligned}$$

To estimate  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{x}}$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{x}} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}}$$

WRONG  $\delta \leq |a|$

$$-|a| < x - a < |a|$$

$$a - a < x < a + a$$

$$0 < x < 2a$$

$$0 < \sqrt{x} < \sqrt{2a}$$

$$\frac{1}{0} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{2a}}$$