Week-1

Mathematics for Data Science - 2

Some topics of Maths 1, Functions of one variable, Graphs and tangents, Limits for sequence, Limits for functions of one variable

Activity Slides

Keywords:

• Let $f: D_1 \to \mathbb{R}$, and $g: D_2 \to \mathbb{R}$ be two functions, such that, $range(f) \subseteq D_2$, where $D_1, D_2 \subseteq \mathbb{R}$. The composition of two functions is defined as:

$$g \circ f : D_1 \to \mathbb{R}$$

$$(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x))$$

- Some rules to find limits: Let $a_n \to a$ and $b_n \to b$, then
 - i) $a_n + b_n \rightarrow a + b$
 - ii) $ca_n \to ca$
 - iii) $a_n b_n \to a b$
 - iv) $a_n b_n \to ab$
 - v) $f(a_n) \to f(a)$, where f is any polynomial function.
 - vi) $\frac{a_n}{b_n} \to \frac{a}{b}$, if $b \neq 0$
 - vii) $c^{a_n} \to c^a$, for any real number c, where c^{a_n} is real number for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
 - viii) $log_c(a_n) \to log_c(a)$, if $a_n > 0$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and a, c > 0.
- (Sandwich Theorem) Let $a_n \to a$ and $b_n \to a$ also. If $a_n \le c_n \le b_n$, for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $c_n \to a$.

1. If $f(x) = x^2 + 2$ and g(x) = 5x, then f(g(x)) =

Option 1: $5(x^2 + 2)$

 \bigcirc Option 2: $25x^2$

Option 3: $25x^2 + 2$

 \bigcirc Option 4: 5x + 2

Solution:

What is composition f(g((x))) of two functions f and g?

Step 1:
$$f(g((x)) = (5x)^2 + 2 = 25x^2 + 2$$

Hence option 3 is true.

2. Let $f(x) = \frac{x}{x+a}$, where x > 0 and a > 0. If $f(f(x)) = \frac{x}{3x+4}$, then find the value of a.

[Hint:
$$f(f(x)) = f(\frac{x}{x+a}) = \frac{\frac{x}{x+a}}{\frac{x}{x+a}+a}$$
]

Solution:

Step 1: Given
$$f(x) = \frac{x}{x+a}$$

Think $f(f(x)) = f(\frac{x}{x+a}) = \frac{\frac{x}{x+a}}{\frac{x}{x+a}+a}$

What will be the expression after rearranging the terms?

Step 2:

$$f(f(x)) = f(\frac{x}{x+a}) = \frac{\frac{x}{x+a}}{\frac{x}{x+a}+a} = \frac{x}{a^2+ax+x} = \frac{x}{a^2+(a+1)x}$$

What is use of this expression?

Step 3:

Compare $f(f(x)) = \frac{x}{a^2 + (a+1)x}$ with the given $f(f(x)) = \frac{x}{3x+4}$. we get $a^2 = 4$ and a+1=3,

which gives a = 2.

Hence, Answer is 2.

- 3. Let $\{a_n\}$ be a sequence defined as $a_n = \frac{3}{2n} + \frac{2}{2n+1} + 1$. The limit of the sequence $\{a_n\}$ is [Hint: It is known that $\frac{1}{n} \to 0,$ as $n \to \infty$]
 - \bigcirc Option 1: $\frac{3}{2}$
 - Option 2: 1
 - \bigcirc Option 3: 0
 - Option 4: 2

Solution:

Why $\frac{1}{n} \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$?

Step 1: Since, $\frac{1}{n} \to 0$ as $n \to \infty \implies \frac{1}{2n} \to 0$ and $\frac{1}{2n+1} \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$ Why?

Step 2:

 $\lim_{n \to \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(\frac{3}{2n}\right) + \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(\frac{2}{2n+1}\right) + \lim_{n \to \infty} 1 = 0 + 0 + 1 = 1$

4. Consider the sequence $\{f_n\}$, defined as $f_n = \sqrt{2n+1} - \sqrt{2n}$. Which of the following option(s) is(are) true?

[Hint: Do rationalization and use $a^2 - b^2 = (a + b)(a - b)$]

- \bigcirc Option 1: $\{f_n\}$ is convergent.
- \bigcirc Option 2: Limit of $\{f_n\}$ is 0.
- \bigcirc Option 3: Limit of $\{f_n\}$ is 1.
- \bigcirc Option 4: Limit of $\{f_n\}$ is $+\infty$.

Solution:

Step 1:

$$f_n = \sqrt{2n+1} - \sqrt{2n} = (\sqrt{2n+1} - \sqrt{2n}) \times \frac{\sqrt{2n+1} + \sqrt{2n}}{\sqrt{2n+1} + \sqrt{2n}} = \frac{2n+1-2n}{\sqrt{2n+1} + \sqrt{2n}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n+1} + \sqrt{2n}}$$

What is use of getting this expression?

Since, $\frac{1}{n} \to 0$ as $n \to \infty \implies \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n+1}+\sqrt{2n}} \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$. Why?

Step 2:

Since
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2n+1}+\sqrt{2n}} < \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2n}}$$

And so $\lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2n}} = 0$
Hence option 1 and option 2 are true.

5. If $\{f_n\}$ and $\{g_n\}$ be two sequences such that $|f_n| \leq |g_n|$ for all $n \geq m$, where $m \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\lim_{n \to \infty} g_n = 0$, then find the limit of f_n .

[$\operatorname{\mathbf{Hint:}}$ Use sandwich theorem.]

Solution:

How we can use sandwich theorem?

$$|f_n| \le |g_n| \implies f_n \le |g_n| \text{ and } -f_n \le |g_n| \implies -|g_n| \le f_n \le |g_n|$$

Step 2:

Given
$$\lim_{n\to\infty} g_n = 0 \implies \lim_{n\to\infty} |g_n| = 0$$
 and $\lim_{n\to\infty} (-|g_n|) = 0$ Why?

Now use sandwich theorem to conclude, limit of f_n is 0.

6. Find the value $\lim_{x\to 2} (x^3 + 4x^2 - 6x - 7)$.

Solution:

Why the substitution of value x=2 is enough to find the limit value of the function at x=2 ?

Step 1:

$$\lim_{x \to 2} (x^3 + 4x^2 - 6x - 7) = 5 = 2^3 + 4 \cdot 2^2 - 6 \cdot 2 - 7 = 5$$

- 7. A function $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ defined as $f(x) = \frac{1+x+x^2}{5x^2+1}$, then $\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{1+x+x^2}{5x^2+1} = 1$
 - \bigcirc Option 1: $\frac{2}{5}$
 - Option 2: 1
 - Option 3: 0
 - \bigcirc Option 4: $\frac{1}{5}$

Solution:

Here, will direct substitution work?, If yes then why? If not then why?

Step 1:

$$f(x) = \frac{1+x+x^2}{5x^2+1} = \frac{x^2(\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x} + 1)}{x^2(5+\frac{1}{x^2})} = \frac{(\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x} + 1)}{(5+\frac{1}{x^2})}$$

Now substitution of value of x will work? If yes, then what we need to substitute the value of x?

Step:2

We know that
$$\lim_{x\to\infty} \frac{1}{x} = 0$$
, Hence $\lim_{x\to\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} = 0$ Why?

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x} + 1\right)}{\left(5 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right)} = \frac{0 + 0 + 1}{5 + 0} = \frac{1}{5}$$