

Continuity of functions

reminder: $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $a \in \mathcal{D}_f$:

$$f \in C\{a\} \Leftrightarrow \forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0 \forall x \in B(a, \delta) \cap \mathcal{D}_f: f(x) \in B(f(a), \varepsilon)$$

if $a \in \mathcal{D}_f \setminus \mathcal{D}_f'$ (isolated point): $f \in C\{a\}$

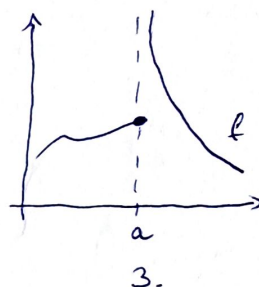
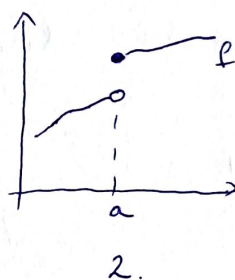
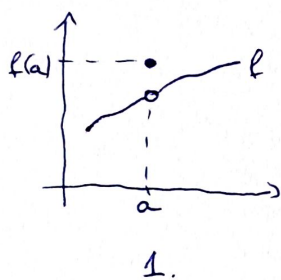
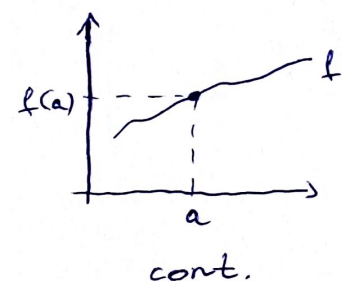
if $a \in \mathcal{D}_f \cap \mathcal{D}_f'$: $f \in C\{a\} \Leftrightarrow \exists \lim_a f = f(a)$

$f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $a \in \mathcal{D}_f \cap \mathcal{D}_f'$, $f \notin C\{a\} \Rightarrow$ discontinuities:

1. $\exists \lim_a f \in \mathbb{R}$, $\lim_a f \neq f(a)$: removable

2. $\exists \lim_{a+0} f \in \mathbb{R}$, $\lim_{a+0} f \neq \lim_{a-0} f$: jump

3. otherwise: second kind



Theorem (operations + cont.):

i, $f, g \in C\{a\} \Rightarrow f \pm g, f \cdot g \in C\{a\}$

ii, $f, g \in C\{a\}$, $g(a) \neq 0 \Rightarrow f/g \in C\{a\}$

iii, $g \in C\{a\}$, $f \in C\{g(a)\} \Rightarrow f \circ g \in C\{a\}$

1. discuss the continuity

$$a, \quad f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 - 5x + 6}{x^2 - 7x + 10}, & x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{2, 5\} \\ 0, & x \in \{2, 5\} \end{cases}$$

$x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{2, 5\}$: $f \in C\{x\}$ by the theorem
(polynomials are cont., $x^2 - 7x + 10 \neq 0$)

$$x = 2: \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{(x-2)(x-3)}{(x-2)(x-5)} = \frac{1}{3}$$

so $\exists \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f \neq f(2) = 0 \Rightarrow f \notin C\{2\}$
(removable disc.)

$$x = 5: \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} f = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{x-3}{x-5} = \pm \infty$$

$\Rightarrow f \notin C\{5\}$ (disc. of second kind)

$$b, f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{3-\sqrt{x}}{9-x}, & x \geq 0, x \neq 9 \\ 0, & x = 9 \end{cases}$$

$x \in [0, +\infty) \setminus \{9\}$: $f \in C\{x\}$ (theorem; $9-x \neq 0$)

$$x = 9: \lim_{x \rightarrow 9} f = \lim_{x \rightarrow 9} \frac{3-\sqrt{x}}{(3-\sqrt{x})(3+\sqrt{x})} = \frac{1}{6} \neq f(9)$$

\Rightarrow removable disc.

$$c, f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x-7}{|x-7|}, & x \neq 7 \\ 5, & x = 7 \end{cases}$$

$$x > 7: f \equiv 1 \Rightarrow f \in C\{x\}$$

$$x < 7: f \equiv -1 \Rightarrow f \in C\{x\}$$

$$x = 7: \lim_{x \rightarrow 7^+} f = 1, \lim_{x \rightarrow 7^-} f = -1$$

\Rightarrow jump disc.

$$d, f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x+1, & x \leq -1 \\ 3x, & -1 < x < 1 \\ 2x-1, & x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

homework :)

$$c, f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x+1}, & x < -1 \\ x, & -1 \leq x < 0 \\ \ln(x+1), & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

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$$x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-1, 0\} : f \in C\{x\}$$

$$x = -1 : \lim_{x \rightarrow -1-0} f = \lim_{x \rightarrow -1-0} \frac{1}{x+1} = -\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -1+0} f = \lim_{x \rightarrow -1+0} x = -1 = f(-1)$$

\Rightarrow disc. of second kind
(but cont. from the right)

$$x = 0 : \left. \begin{array}{l} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0-0} f = 0 \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow 0+0} f = 0 = f(0) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow f \in C\{0\}$$

2. determine $f(0)$ such that $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous:

$$a, f(x) := \frac{(1+x)^n - 1}{x} \quad (x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}, n \in \mathbb{N})$$

if $\exists \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f =: \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, then $f(0) := \alpha \Rightarrow f \in C(\mathbb{R})$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1+x)^n - 1}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1+x-1)((1+x)^{n-1} + \dots + 1)}{x} =$$

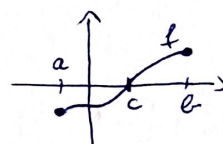
$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} ((1+x)^{n-1} + \dots + (1+x) + 1) = n \Rightarrow f(0) := n$$

$$b, f(x) := \frac{1 - \cos x}{x^2} \quad (x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\})$$

$$\text{reminder: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{x^2} = \frac{1}{2} \quad (\text{see Analysis I.})$$

$$\Rightarrow f(0) := \frac{1}{2}$$

reminder: Bolzano theorem: $f \in C[a, b]$, $f(a) \cdot f(b) < 0$
 $\Rightarrow \exists c \in (a, b) : f(c) = 0$



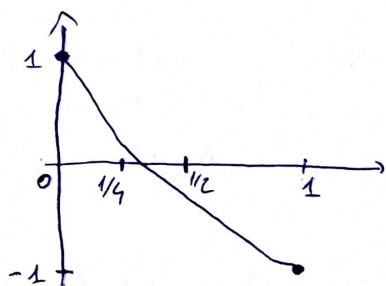
3. prove that there is a solution in the interval I

a, $x^3 - 3x + 1 = 0$, $I = (0, 1)$

$f(x) := x^3 - 3x + 1$ ($x \in \mathbb{R}$) $\Rightarrow f \in C$

$f(0) = 1 > 0$, $f(1) = -1 < 0 \Rightarrow \exists c \in (0, 1) : f(c) = 0$
 B.

compute the first 3 terms of the sequence that approximates the root; error of approximation?



$[x_0, y_0] = [0, 1]$

half point: $\frac{1}{2}$; $f(\frac{1}{2}) = -\frac{3}{8} < 0$

$\Rightarrow [x_1, y_1] = [0, \frac{1}{2}]$

half point: $\frac{1}{4}$; $f(\frac{1}{4}) = \frac{17}{64} > 0$

$\Rightarrow [x_2, y_2] = [\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}]$

approximating sequence:

$(x_n): 0, 0, \frac{1}{4}, \dots$

(or $(y_n): 1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \dots$)

error: $|c - \frac{1}{4}| < \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$

b, $x^2 = \sqrt{x+1}$, $I = (1, 2)$ \rightarrow homework

c, $\cos x = x$, $I = (0, \frac{\pi}{2})$

$f(x) := \cos x - x$ ($x \in \mathbb{R}$) $\Rightarrow f \in C$

$f(0) = 1 > 0$, $f(\frac{\pi}{2}) = -\frac{\pi}{2} < 0$

$\Rightarrow \exists c \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2}) : f(c) = 0$
 B.

d, $e^x = 2 - x$, $I = \mathbb{R}$

$$f(x) := e^x - 2 + x \quad (x \in \mathbb{R}) \Rightarrow f \in C$$

e.g.: $f(0) = -1 < 0$, $f(1) = e - 1 > 0$

$$\stackrel{B.}{\Rightarrow} \exists c \in (0, 1) : f(c) = 0$$

e, $x^5 - x^2 + 2x + 3 = 0$, $I = \mathbb{R}$

$$f(x) := x^5 - x^2 + 2x + 3 \quad (x \in \mathbb{R}) \Rightarrow f \in C$$

e.g.: $f(0) = 3 > 0$, $f(-1) = -1 < 0$

$$\stackrel{B.}{\Rightarrow} \exists c \in (-1, 0) : f(c) = 0$$