Matematiske metoder (MM 529)

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Length of curves

(with similar methods one can also calculate the area of surfaces, the volume of a solid, if the functions of the boundary are differentiable)

Approximating the length of a curve by the length of a polygonal line, with straight line segments between consecutive points on the curve.

Curve in \mathbb{R}^2 with initial point (a, b) and terminal point (c, d): Sequence of consecutive points

$$(a,b)=(x_0,y_0),(x_1,y_1),(x_2,y_2),\ldots,(x_n,y_n)=(c,d).$$

Length of the straight line segment between (x_{i-1}, y_{i-1}) and (x_i, y_i) : $\sqrt{(x_i - x_{i-1})^2 + (y_i - y_{i-1})^2}$.

Length L_n of the polygonal line between (a, b) and (c, d):

$$L_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{(x_i - x_{i-1})^2 + (y_i - y_{i-1})^2}.$$

Length of a function graph

Function $f:D\subseteq\mathbb{R}\to\mathbb{R}$. Estimate the length of the graph of f between (a,f(a)) and (b,f(b)), $a,b\in D$.

Length L_n of the polygonal line with intermediate points $(a, f(a)) = (x_0, f(x_0)), (x_1, f(x_1)), \dots, (x_n, f(x_n)) = (b, f(b))$ on the graph, $a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n = b$ partition of [a, b]:

$$L_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{(x_i - x_{i-1})^2 + (f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1}))^2}.$$

If f is differentiable:

Mean value theorem of differentiation

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

Length of a function graph, contd.

Differentiable function $f:D\subseteq\mathbb{R}\to\mathbb{R}$. Calculate the length of the graph of f between (a,f(a)) and (b,f(b)), $a,b\in D$.

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With $\Delta x_i = x_i - x_{i-1}$ there must be $c_i \in (x_{i-1}, x_i)$, such that

$$L_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{(x_i - x_{i-1})^2 + (f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1}))^2}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{(\Delta x_i)^2 + (f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1}))^2}$$

 $= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sqrt{1 + \frac{(f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1}))^2}{(\Delta x_i)^2}} \Delta x_i = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sqrt{1 + (f'(c_i))^2} \Delta x_i$

Length of a function graph, contd.

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Riemann sum for the function $g(x) = \sqrt{1 + (f'(x))^2}$, partition P_n , and selection of intermediate points c_i .

Sequence of partitions P_n , $n \to \infty$ with $\lim_{n \to \infty} ||P_n|| = 0$

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} L_n = \int_a^b g(x) \, dx = \int_a^b \sqrt{1 + (f'(x))^2} \, dx,$$

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$$\int_0^t \sqrt{1+(f'(x))^2} \, dx = \int_0^t \sqrt{1+4x^2} \, dx = \int_0^t 2\sqrt{\frac{1}{4}+x^2} \, dx.$$

Antiderivative of $2\sqrt{\frac{1}{4}+x^2}$ is (according to tables) is $x\sqrt{\frac{1}{4}+x^2}+\frac{1}{4}\ln|x+\sqrt{\frac{1}{4}+x^2}|+C$, therefore

$$\int_0^t 2\sqrt{\frac{1}{4} + x^2} \, dx = t\sqrt{\frac{1}{4} + t^2} + \frac{1}{4} \ln(2t + \sqrt{1 + 4t^2}).$$

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For t=1 the length is $\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{5}+\frac{1}{4}\ln(2+\sqrt{5})=1.4789...$, between $\sqrt{2}=1.4142...$ (length of the straight line between (0,0) and (1,1)), and $\pi/2=1.5707...$ (length of the circular arc of radius 1 between (0,0) and (1,1).

Convergence criteria for infinite series

Infinite series

$$\sum_{k=N}^{\infty} a_k = \lim_{n \to \infty} S_n,$$

where $S_n = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$, sequence of partial sums.

Series may be convergent or divergent.

Criteria for convergence and divergence:

Comparison test

Let (a_k) and (b_k) be sequences with $0 \le a_k \le b_k$ for all $k \ge N$.

Necessary condition for a series to be convergent: $\lim_{k\to\infty} a_k = 0$.

If all $a_k \ge 0$ for all $k \ge N$ then the series $\sum_{k=N} a_k$ geometrically is

the area under the graph of a staircase function.

Assume that the elements of the sequence are function values of the form $a_k = f(k)$ and f is non-increasing:

Geometric comparison gives:

Integral test

$$\int_{N}^{\infty} f(x) dx \leq \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} f(n) \leq f(N) + \int_{N}^{\infty} f(x) dx.$$

The series is convergent, if and only if the (improper) integral is convergent.

Example:
$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2}$$
 is convergent since for $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$ and an

antiderivative
$$F(x) = -\frac{1}{x}$$
, $\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} dx = \lim_{x \to \infty} F(x) - F(1) = 1$.

Complex numbers

Sets of numbers:

- **1** Natural numbers \mathbb{N} : Addition Subtraction: $1-3 \notin \mathbb{N}$.
- **1** Integers \mathbb{Z} : Subtraction Division: $1/3 \notin \mathbb{Z}$.
- **3** Rational numbers \mathbb{Q} : Division Limits of sequences: $\lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^n = e \notin \mathbb{Q}.$

Rational numbers
$$\mathbb{R}$$
: Limits of convergent sequences
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Roots of polynomials: No solution of $x^2+1=0$ in $\mathbb R$ (in other words $\sqrt{-1} \not\in \mathbb R$).

We have $\mathbb{N} \subset \mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{Q} \subset \mathbb{R}$. Define i to be a solution of $x^2 + 1 = 0$. Then $-i = (-1) \cdot i$ is another solution, because

$$(-i)^2 + 1 = (-1)^2 \cdot i^2 + 1 = 1 \cdot (-1) + 1 = 0.$$

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Arithmetic of complex numbers

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i: imaginary unit.
z = a + ib: a = \text{Re}(z) real part, b = \text{Im}(z) imaginary part.
Conjugate complex number of z = a + ib: \bar{z} = a - ib,
i.e. the complex number with Re(\bar{z}) = Re(z) and Im(\bar{z}) = -Im(z).
We have \mathbb{N} \subset \mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{Q} \subset \mathbb{R} \subset \mathbb{C}.
because \mathbb{R} is the set of complex numbers with imaginary part
b = 0.
Complex means complicated?
Arithmetic operations with complex numbers:
Treat i like a variable, except i^2 = -1!
Example:
1+3i^3=1+3i \cdot i^2=1+3i \cdot (-1)=1-3i=1+i \cdot (-3),
complex number with real part 1 and imaginary part -3.
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Addition/Subtraction

$$(a + ib) \pm (c + id) = (a \pm c) + i(b \pm d).$$

Multiplication

$$(a+ib)\cdot(c+id)=(ac-bd)+i(ad+bc).$$

Division

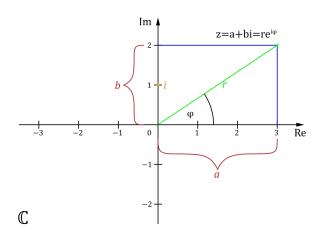
$$\frac{a+ib}{c+id} = \frac{(a+ib)(c-id)}{(c+id)(c-id)} = \frac{(ac+bd)+i(bc-ad)}{c^2+d^2}$$

if $c+id\neq 0$. Real part: $\frac{ac+bd}{c^2+d^2}$. Imaginary part: $\frac{bc-ad}{c^2+d^2}$.

Representation of complex numbers

Complex plane

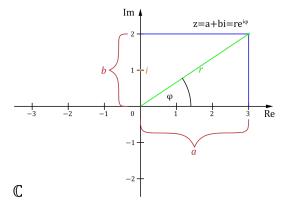
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Complex plane

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Second interpretation: Associate $a+ib\in\mathbb{C}$ with vector (a,b) in the complex plane.

Geometric interpretation of addition of complex numbers:

Vector addition in the complex plane.