

## 2.6 Differentiability

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Objectives:

1. What are the conditions for a function to be differentiable at a point?

Previously.

- Limit Definition of Derivative  
Suppose we have  $f(x)$ , then

$$\frac{df}{dx} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

Example:

- Given  $g(t) = \frac{t}{t+1}$ , find  $\frac{dg}{dt}$  using LOD.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dg}{dt} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(t+h) - g(t)}{h} \\&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{(t+h)}{(t+h)+1} - \left(\frac{t}{t+1}\right)}{h} \\&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{h}\right) \left(\frac{t+h}{t+h+1} - \frac{t}{t+1}\right) \\&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{h}\right) \left(\frac{(t+h)(t+1) - t(t+h+1)}{(t+h+1)(t+1)}\right) \\&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \left(\frac{t^2 + ht + h + t - (t^2 + th + t)}{(t+h+1)(t+1)}\right) \\&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \left(\frac{\cancel{t^2} + \cancel{ht} + h + \cancel{t} - \cancel{t^2} - \cancel{th} - \cancel{t}}{(t+h+1)(t+1)}\right) \\&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \left(\frac{\cancel{h}}{(t+h+1)(t+1)}\right) \\&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{(t+h+1)(t+1)} \\&= \frac{1}{(t+1)(t+1)} \\&= \frac{1}{(t+1)^2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dg}{dt} = \frac{1}{(t+1)^2}$$

Note: the function  $g(t) = \frac{t}{t+1}$  is not continuous at  $t = -1$ .

$$\text{So, } \frac{dg}{dt} g(-1) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(-1+h) - g(-1)}{h}$$

: steps from before

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{(-1+h+1)(-1+1)}$$

$$\frac{dg}{dt} g(-1) = \text{DNE.}$$

## Differentiability

For  $f(x)$  be differentiable at a point  $x=a$

the limit definition needs to exist at that point,

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \text{ need to exist at } x=a.$$

## Continuity and Differentiability

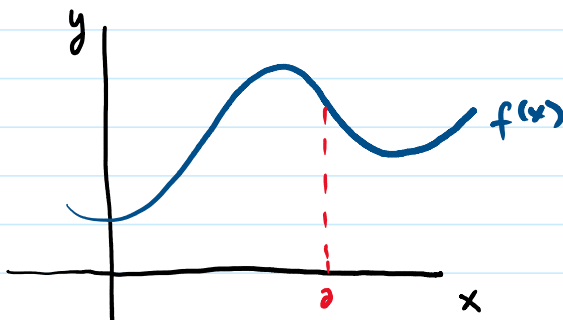
Theorem: If  $f(x)$  is differentiable at  $x=a$ , then it is continuous at  $x=a$ .

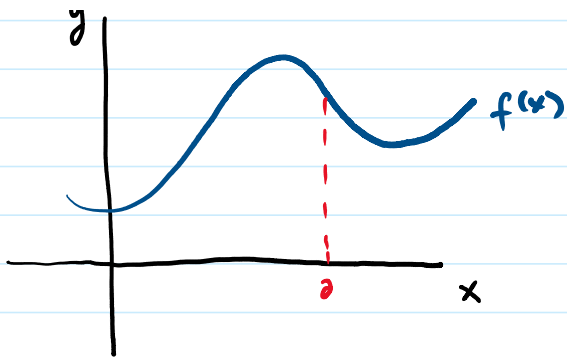
\* the opposite is not true \*

If  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x=a$ , then it may or may not be differentiable at  $x=a$ .

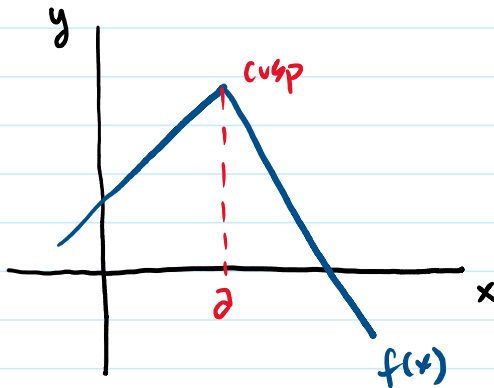
Examples:

- Continuous and differentiable at  $x=a$ .





- Continuous but not differentiable at  $x=2$ .



- not continuous and not differentiable at  $x=2$ .

