

Last time • Definition of $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ being differentiable

• properties of derivatives, chain rule.

Note: $(x)' = 1$ and $(fg)' = f'g + fg'$ $\rightarrow (x^n)' = n x^{n-1}$

(by induction on n). $(x^{1/n})' = \frac{1}{n} x^{1/n-1}$

\Rightarrow get derivatives of rational powers of x .

• If f is differentiable at x_0 and x_0 an extremal point, then $f'(x_0) = 0$.

Rolle's theorem $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ continuous, differentiable on (a, b) , $f(a) = f(b)$.

Then $\exists c \in (a, b)$ so that $f'(c) = 0$.

Proof Since $[a, b]$ is compact, f achieves max and min on $[a, b]$.

If a point $c \in (a, b)$ is extremal, we are done.

Otherwise the extremal points are in $\{a, b\}$ and then f is constant hence $f'(c) = 0 + c \in (a, b)$. \square

Mean value theorem Suppose $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous,

differentiable on (a, b) . Then $\exists c \in (a, b)$ s.t

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

Note: This is a Rolle's thm if $f(a) = f(b)$.

Proof of MVT

$$\text{Let } h(x) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} \cdot (x - a). \text{ Note: } h'(x) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} + x$$

Let

$$g(x) = f(x) - h(x).$$

$$\text{Then } g(a) = f(a) - h(a) = f(a)$$

$$g(b) = f(b) - \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} \cdot (b - a) = f(a)$$

By Rolle's thm applied to $g(x)$ we get: $\exists c \in (a, b)$

so that $0 = g'(c)$,

$$\text{But } g'(c) = f'(c) - h'(c) = f'(c) - \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}.$$

Thus $\exists c \in (a, b)$ s.t. $f(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$.

Corollary 18.1 Suppose $f: (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable and $f'(x) = 0 \forall x \in (a, b)$. Then f is constant.

Proof If f is not constant, $\exists x_1, x_2 \in (a, b)$, $x_1 < x_2$ s.t. $f(x_1) \neq f(x_2)$. By mean value thm $\exists c \in (a, b)$ s.t. $f'(c) = \frac{f(x_2) - f(x_1)}{x_2 - x_1} \neq 0$. Contradiction. \square

Corollary 18.2 $f, g: (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ differentiable, $f'(x) = g'(x) \forall x$. Then $\exists c \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $f(x) = g(x) + c$.

Proof $(f - g)'(x) = f'(x) - g'(x) = 0$.

By 18.1 $h(x) = f(x) - g(x)$ is constant. \square

Ex Suppose $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a function. Suppose $\exists \alpha > 1$ s.t. $|f(x) - f(y)| \leq |x - y|^\alpha$ for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$.

Then f is constant.

Proof It's enough to prove that f is differentiable and that $f'(a) = 0 \forall a$. So fix $a \in \mathbb{R}$. $\forall x \neq a$

$$\left| \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} - 0 \right| = \left| \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{|x - a|} \right| \leq |x - a|^{\alpha - 1}$$

Given $\epsilon > 0$ let $\delta = \epsilon^{\frac{1}{\alpha-1}}$. Then, for $x \neq a$

$$|x - a| < \delta \Rightarrow \epsilon = \delta^{\alpha-1} > |x - a|^{\alpha-1} \geq \left| \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} - 0 \right|$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} = 0. \quad \square$$

Lemma 18.3 Suppose $f: (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable and $f'(x)$ is bounded. Then f is uniformly continuous.

Proof Let M be an upper bound for $\{|f'(x)| \mid x \in (a, b)\}$.

By the Mean value theorem if $x, y \in (a, b)$, $x < y$

$$\exists c \in (x, y) \text{ st } \frac{f(y) - f(x)}{y - x} = f'(c)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{f(y) - f(x)}{y - x} \right| = |f'(c)| \leq M$$

$$\Rightarrow |f(y) - f(x)| \leq M |y - x| \quad (*)$$

Therefore given $\varepsilon > 0$ (let $\delta = \varepsilon/M$). Then

$$|y - x| < \varepsilon/M \Rightarrow |f(y) - f(x)| \leq M |y - x| < M \frac{\varepsilon}{M} = \varepsilon, \text{ QED}$$

Remark $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ is continuous on $[0, 1]$ hence uniformly continuous on $[0, 1]$ ($[0, 1]$ is compact). Hence it's uniformly continuous on $(0, 1)$. But $f'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$ is not bounded on $(0, 1)$.

Thm 18.4 Suppose $f: (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable on (a, b) . Then

- (i) $f'(x) > 0 \forall x \Rightarrow f$ is strictly increasing
- (ii) $f'(x) < 0 \forall x \Rightarrow f$ is strictly decreasing
- (iii) $f'(x) \geq 0 \forall x \Leftrightarrow f$ is nondecreasing
- (iv) $f'(x) \leq 0 \forall x \Leftrightarrow f$ is nonincreasing

Proof of (iii). (\Rightarrow) Suppose $f'(z) \geq 0 \forall z \in (a, b)$, $x, y \in (a, b)$

$x < y$. Then $\exists c \in (x, y)$ st assumption.

$$\frac{f(y) - f(x)}{y - x} = f'(c) \stackrel{\text{assumption}}{\geq} 0$$

$$\Rightarrow f(y) - f(x) = f'(c)(y - x) \geq 0$$

(\Leftarrow) If f is nondecreasing then $\forall x < y$

$$\frac{f(y) - f(x)}{y - x} \geq 0 \Rightarrow f'(y) \geq 0 \quad \forall y$$

Remark $f(x) = x^3$ is strictly increasing but $f''(0) = 0$.
 So strictly increasing $\not\Rightarrow f'$ is positive.

Inverse function theorem Suppose $f: (a, b) \rightarrow (c, d)$ is a continuous bijection, $x_0 \in (a, b)$, f is differentiable at x_0 and $f'(x_0) \neq 0$. Then $f^{-1}: (c, d) \rightarrow (a, b)$ is differentiable at $y_0 = f(x_0)$ and

$$(*) (f^{-1})'(y_0) \cdot f'(x_0) = 1 \quad (\text{ie. } (f^{-1})'(y_0) = \frac{1}{f'(x_0)})$$

Remark The content of the theorem is that f^{-1} is differentiable at y_0 . The formula $(*)$ then follows from

$$f^{-1}(f(x)) = x :$$

chain rule \Rightarrow

$$1 = (f^{-1} \circ f)'(x_0) = (f^{-1})'(f(x_0)) \cdot f'(x_0).$$

To prove the inverse function theorem we'll need to know that f^{-1} is continuous at all points of (c, d) .

Lemma (S, d) , (S', d') metric spaces, S compact,

$f: S \rightarrow S'$ continuous bijection. Then $f^{-1}: S' \rightarrow S$ is continuous.

Proof $g := f^{-1}$ is continuous $\Leftrightarrow \forall$ closed $C \subseteq S$, $g^{-1}(C)$ is closed

Now, since $g = f^{-1}$, $g^{-1}(C) = f(C)$.

Since $C \subseteq S$ is closed, C is compact. f continuous $\Rightarrow f(C)$ is compact. But S' is a metric space, so $f(C)$ is closed

$\therefore g = f^{-1}$ is continuous.