

MATH2060B Tutorial 2

Topic: Mean value theorem

Recall: Suppose f is continuous on $[a, b]$ and differentiable on $(a, b) \Rightarrow \exists c \in (a, b)$ s.t. $f(b) - f(a) = f'(c)(b-a)$.

Q6. Show that $|\sin x - \sin y| \leq |x - y| \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$
 \rightarrow use $\sin x$ differentiable $\forall x$, with derivative $\cos x$

Sol. $x=y \rightarrow$ trivial
 $x \neq y \rightarrow$ Apply MVT to $[x, y]$ (or $[y, x]$), and \sin .
 $\Rightarrow |\sin x - \sin y| = |\cos c| |x - y|$ for c ^{some} _{between} x, y
 $\leq |x - y| \quad \because |\cos c| \leq 1 \quad \forall c \in \mathbb{R} //$

Q8 Let $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be cts and differentiable on (a, b)
 Show that if $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f'(x) = A$, then $f'(a)$ exists and $= A$.

Want to show $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a}$ exists. (cf. L'Hopital)

Pf. Condition $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f'(x) = A$ implies with $\varepsilon > 0$ fixed,
 $\exists \delta > 0$ s.t. $\forall x \in (a, a + \delta)$, (with $a + \delta < b$)

we have $|f'(x) - A| < \varepsilon$.

For $x \in (a, a + \delta)$, MVT applied to $[a, x]$ (f diff. on (a, x)
 f cts at a ?)

$$f(x) - f(a) = f'(c)(x - a) \quad c \in (a, x) \subset (a, a + \delta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} - A \right| = |f'(c) - A| < \varepsilon$$

\therefore holds $\forall x \in (a, a + \delta)$, $\Rightarrow f'(a)$ exists and equals A . \square
 $\varepsilon > 0$ arbitrary

\rightarrow Similar results hold for left / two-sided derivatives.

\rightarrow useful criterion for differentiability: Suppose f is cts at a and differentiable in an open interval $\bar{\sigma}(a)$ (except a)

\Rightarrow if $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f'(x)$ exists, then $f'(a)$ also exists.

Q15. Let I be an interval, $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable with bounded derivative $f': I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Show that f satisfies a Lipschitz condition on I .

Recall a function $g: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is Lipschitz if $\exists K > 0$ s.t.
 $|f(x) - f(y)| \leq K|x - y| \quad \forall x, y \in I$.

PP Set K to be a bound of f' , i.e. $|f'(p)| \leq K \quad \forall p \in I$.

To show K satisfies Lipschitz req.

$x = y \rightarrow$ trivial

$x \neq y \rightarrow$ Apply MVT to $[x, y]$ (or $[y, x]$)

$$\Rightarrow |f(x) - f(y)| = |f'(c)| |x - y| \leq K |x - y| \quad \text{for } c \in I \text{ (between } x \text{ and } y)$$

Q17 Let f, g differentiable on \mathbb{R} . $f(0) = g(0)$, $f'(x) \leq g'(x) \quad \forall x \geq 0$

Show $f(x) \leq g(x) \quad \forall x \geq 0$.

Sol For $x \geq 0$, apply MVT to $g - f$ on $[0, x]$ ← differentiable & $(g-f)' = g' - f' \geq 0$ on $[0, x]$

$$\Rightarrow (g-f)(x) - (g-f)(0) = (g-f)'(c) \cdot (x-0), \quad c \in (0, x)$$

$$g(x) - f(x) - g(0) + f(0) \geq 0$$

$$g(x) \geq f(x) \quad \forall x \in [0, \infty) //$$

Q14 Let I be an interval, $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ differentiable.

Show that if f' is never zero, then either $f'(x) > 0$ or $f'(x) < 0 \quad \forall x \in I$.

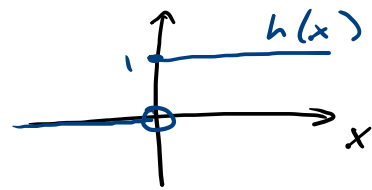
Recall: Darboux's Thm: derivative f' of a differentiable $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, satisfies: $\forall k$, $f'(a) < k < f'(b)$, $\exists c \in (a, b)$ s.t. $f'(c) = k$.

In particular, if $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ differentiable, and there exist points $x, y \in I$ s.t. $f'(x) > 0$, $f'(y) < 0 \Rightarrow$ Darboux's Thm applied to $[x, y]$ (or $[y, x]$) gives $c \in I$, $f'(c) = 0$

\rightarrow contrapositive of the statement in q.14.

Q12 Let $h(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \geq 0 \\ 0 & x < 0 \end{cases}$. Prove that there does not

exist $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $f'(x) = h(x) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$.

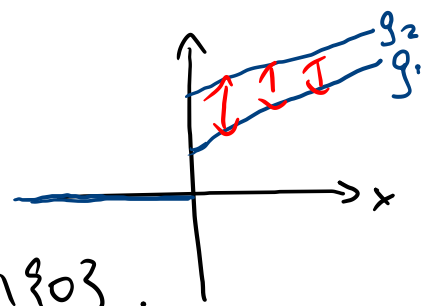


Pf If such f exists, then $f'(-1) = \underline{0}$,
and $f'(1) = \underline{1}$. Apply Darboux's Thm to

f & $[-1, 1]$, gives $c \in (-1, 1)$ s.t. $f'(c) = 1/2$.
 $\therefore 0 < \underline{1/2} < 1$ $\xrightarrow{h(c)}$ contradiction \square

★ Can define $g_1, g_2: \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$(\text{for } i=1, 2), g_i(x) = \begin{cases} x+i, & x > 0 \\ 0 & x < 0 \end{cases}$$



$$\Rightarrow g_1'(x) = g_2'(x) = h(x) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}.$$

Remark ① Do not contradict Darboux's Thm since

$\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ is the union of two disjoint open intervals
 $(0, \infty)$ and $(-\infty, 0)$

② $g_1 - g_2$ is NOT a constant

\therefore This is a counterexample to Cor. 6.2b, when domain
is not an interval.

i.e. "anti-derivatives are unique up to a constant"
only when functions are defined on an interval!

(Not covered in actual tutorial)

Prob. Let $f: [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable on $(0, \infty)$ and assume that $f'(x) \rightarrow b$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$. Show that $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{x} = b$.

→ Preview/review of L'Hopital's rule

Pf Given condition $f'(x) \rightarrow b$ as $x \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists K > 0$ s.t. if $x > K$, then $|f'(x) - b| < \varepsilon$. For $x > K$, write

$$\frac{f(x)}{x} = \frac{f(x) - f(K)}{x - K} \cdot \left(\frac{x - K}{x}\right) + \frac{f(K)}{x}$$
$$\stackrel{\text{MVT}}{=} f'(c_x) \cdot \left(1 - \frac{K}{x}\right) + \frac{f(K)}{x}$$

for some $c_x > K$. (in fact $c_x < x$)

$$\Rightarrow \text{for } x > K, \left| \frac{f(x)}{x} - b \right| \leq |f'(c_x) - b| + \left| \frac{-Kf'(c_x) + f(K)}{x} \right|$$
$$< \varepsilon + \left| \frac{-Kf'(c_x) + f(K)}{x} \right|$$

Notice that $-Kf'(c_x) + f(K)$ is bounded (indep. of x)
 $\because c_x > K \forall x > K$

\Rightarrow choose $K' > K$ s.t. $\forall x > K'$,

$$\left| \frac{-Kf'(c_x) + f(K)}{x} \right| < \varepsilon.$$

\Rightarrow for $x > K' > K$,

$$\left| \frac{f(x)}{x} - b \right| < \varepsilon + \varepsilon = 2\varepsilon. \quad \square$$