

DIFFERENTIATION

🚩 SUPPOSE $f: (a,b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $c \in (a,b)$

SAY f IS DIFFERENTIABLE AT c AND

HAS DERIVATIVE L AT c IF

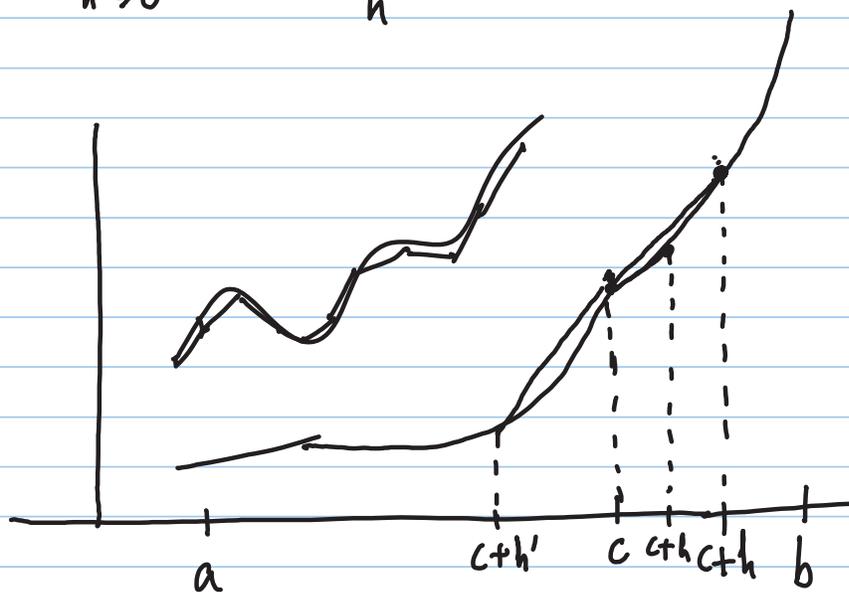
$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(c+h) - f(c)}{h} = L.$$

🚩 LEFT DERIVATIVE OF f AT c :

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(c+h) - f(c)}{h}$$

RIGHT DERIVATIVE OF f AT c :

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(c+h) - f(c)}{h}$$





IF f IS DIFFERENTIABLE AT c , THEN

f IS CONTINUOUS AT c .

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(c+h) - f(c)}{h} = L \quad \text{GIVEN } \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t.}$$

$$h \in (-\delta, \delta) \quad h \neq 0 \quad L - \epsilon < \frac{f(c+h) - f(c)}{h} < L + \epsilon$$

$$h > 0 \Rightarrow (L - \epsilon)h + f(c) < f(c+h) < f(c) + h(L + \epsilon)$$

$$\text{TAKE } \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} : \quad \begin{aligned} (L - \epsilon)h + f(c) &\rightarrow f(c) \\ (L + \epsilon)h + f(c) &\rightarrow f(c) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} f(c+h) = f(c) \quad \text{SIMILARLY } \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} f(c+h) = f(c)$$

CONVERSE? NOT TRUE:

$$f(x) = |x|, \quad c = 0,$$

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

$$\text{BUT } \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(0+h)}{h} = -1$$

EXAMPLES

(i) $f(x) = x^n, n \in \mathbb{N}$.

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h)^n - x^n}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{nx^{n-1}h + \binom{n}{2}x^{n-2}h^2 + \dots + \binom{n}{n-1}xh^{n-1} + h^n}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} nx^{n-1} + \binom{n}{2}x^{n-2}h + \dots + h^{n-1}$$
$$= nx^{n-1}$$

(ii) $f(x) = \sin x \quad f'(x) = \cos x$:

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x+h) - \sin x}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \cos(x+h/2) \sin(h/2)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \cos(x+h/2) \cdot \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(h/2)}{(h/2)}$$

$$= \cos x \cdot 1 \quad \text{SINCE}$$

(i) $\cos x$ is CONTINUOUS

(ii) $\lim_{\gamma \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \gamma}{\gamma} = 1$

$$\Rightarrow (\sin x)' = \cos x.$$

ANOTHER WAY TO LOOK AT f'

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

i.e.

IF h IS "SMALL ENOUGH"

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \approx f'(x) \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{APPROX.} \\ \text{EQUAL} \end{array} \right)$$

$$f(x+h) - f(x) \approx f'(x)h$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{f(x+h) \approx f(x) + f'(x)h}$$

MORE FORMALLY,

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} - f'(x) =: \varepsilon_x(h)$$

$$\text{THEN } \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \varepsilon_x(h) = 0$$

SO, WE HAVE

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + hf'(x) + h\varepsilon(h)$$

$\forall h \in (-\delta, \delta)$ FOR A SMALL $\delta > 0$.

CHAIN RULE

SUPPOSE f IS DIFFERENTIABLE AT c ,

AND g IS DIFFERENTIABLE AT $f(c)$,

THEN $g \circ f$ IS DIFFERENTIABLE AT c

AND

$$(g \circ f)'(c) = g'(f(c)) \cdot f'(c)$$

EXAMPLE:

$$\cos x = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - x\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\cos x)' = (\sin)'(\frac{\pi}{2} - x) \cdot (\frac{\pi}{2} - x)'$$

$$= \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - x\right) \cdot (-1)$$

$$= -\sin x$$

THIS (USING THE EARLIER RULES) ALLOWS
US TO CALCULATE DERIVATIVES OF
POLYNOMIALS, TRIGONOMETRIC FUNCTIONS, AND
THEIR COMBINATIONS.