

# MATH-UA 325 Analysis I

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Extreme Value Theorem

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## Extreme Value Theorem

- If  $S \subset \mathbb{R}$  is compact and  $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous, then there exists  $x_{\min}, x_{\max} \in S$  such that for any  $x \in S$ ,

$$f(x_{\min}) \leq f(x) \leq f(x_{\max})$$

- Proof
  - If  $S$  is compact, then  $f(S)$  is compact
  - If  $f(S)$  is compact, then

$$y_{\min} = \inf f(S), y_{\max} = \sup f(S) \in f(S)$$

- Since  $y_{\min}, y_{\max} \in f(S)$ , there exist  $x_{\min}, x_{\max}$  such that

$$f(x_{\min}) = y_{\min} \text{ and } f(x_{\max}) = y_{\max}$$

# Derivative of a Function

- Let  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$  be open and  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function
- Given any  $x_0 \in I$ , if

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0}$$

exists, then  $f$  is **differentiable** at  $x_0$

- The limit is called the **derivative** of  $f$  at  $x_0$  and denoted

$$f'(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0}$$

- If  $f$  is differentiable at every  $x_0 \in I$ , then its derivative is a function

$$f' : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$x_0 \mapsto \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0}$$

## Differentiable $\implies$ Continuous

- Suppose  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is differentiable at  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$
- If  $m = f'(x_0)$ , then

$$m = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0}$$

- Let  $(x_n : n \geq 1) \subset I$  be any sequence such that

$$\forall n \geq 1, x_n \neq x_0 \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x_0$$

- Since the sequences

$$\left( \frac{f(x_n) - f(x_0)}{x_n - x_0} : n \geq 1 \right) \text{ and } (x_n - x_0 : n \geq 1)$$

both converge, so does their product

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f(x_n) - f(x_0)) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{f(x_n) - f(x_0)}{x_n - x_0} \right) (x_n - x_0) \\ &= \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x_n) - f(x_0)}{x_n - x_0} \right) \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n - x_0 \right) \end{aligned}$$

## Differentiable $\implies$ Continuous

- If  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is differentiable at  $x_0 \in I$ , then for any sequence  $(x_n : n \geq 1)$  such that

$$\forall n \geq 1, x_n \neq x_0 \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x_0,$$

it follows that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = f(x_0)$$

- Therefore,  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0$

## Linear Approximation of Differentiable Function

- $f'(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0}$

- Equivalently,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - (y_0 + m(x - x_0))}{x - x_0} = 0$$

where  $y_0 = f(x_0)$  and  $m = f'(x_0)$

- $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is differentiable at  $x_0 \in I$  if there exists  $y_0, m \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - (y_0 + m(x - x_0))}{x - x_0} = 0$$

- If so,  $f(x_0) = y_0$  and  $f'(x_0) = m$

# Rules of Differentiation

- Let  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$  be open and  $f, f_1, f_2 : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable
- Easy rules
  - If  $f$  is a constant function, then  $f'$  is the zero function
  - If  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f(x) = x$ , then  $f'$  is the constant function equal to 1
  - (Constant factor rule) If  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $(cf)' = cf'$
  - $(f_1 + f_2)' = f_1' + f_2'$
- Less easy rules
  - (Product rule)  $(f_1 f_2)' = f_1' f_2 + f_1 f_2'$
  - (Reciprocal rule)  $\left(\frac{1}{f}\right)' = \frac{-f'}{f^2}$
  - (Quotient rule)  $\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)' = \frac{gf' - fg'}{g^2}$

## Product Rule (Part 1)

- Let  $f, g : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable at  $x_0 \in I$
- Linear approximations

$$f(x) \simeq f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x - x_0)$$

$$g(x) \simeq g(x_0) + g'(x_0)(x - x_0)$$

- Therefore, we believe that

$$\begin{aligned} f(x)g(x) &\simeq (f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x - x_0))(g(x_0) + g'(x_0)(x - x_0)) \\ &= f(x_0)g(x_0) + (f'(x_0)g(x_0) + f(x_0)g'(x_0))(x - x_0) \\ &\quad + f'(x_0)g'(x_0)(x - x_0)^2 \end{aligned}$$

- This suggests that

$$(fg)'(x_0) = f'(x_0)g(x_0) + f(x_0)g'(x_0)$$

## Product Rule (Part 2)

- The difference quotient for  $fg$  is

$$\begin{aligned}& \frac{(fg)(x) - (fg)(x_0)}{x - x_0} \\&= \frac{f(x)g(x) - f(x_0)g(x_0)}{x - x_0} \\&= \frac{f(x)g(x) - f(x_0)g(x) + f(x_0)g(x) - f(x_0)g(x_0)}{x - x_0} \\&= \frac{(f(x) - f(x_0))g(x) + f(x_0)(g(x) - g(x_0))}{x - x_0} \\&= g(x) \left( \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0} \right) + f(x_0) \left( \frac{g(x) - g(x_0)}{x - x_0} \right)\end{aligned}$$

## Product Rule (Part 3)

- Therefore, if  $f$  and  $g$  are differentiable at  $x_0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{(fg)(x) - (fg)(x_0)}{x - x_0} &= \left( \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} g(x) \right) \left( \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0} \right) \\ &\quad + f(x_0) \left( \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{g(x) - g(x_0)}{x - x_0} \right) \\ &= g(x_0)f'(x_0) + f(x_0)g'(x_0)\end{aligned}$$