

Math 1710
Topics for third exam

Chapter 3: Applications of Derivatives

§7: Linear approximation and differentials

Idea: The tangent line to a graph of a function makes a good approximation to the function, near the point of tangency.

Tangent line to $y = f(x)$ at $(x_0, f(x_0)) : L(x) = f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x - x_0)$

$f(x) \approx L(x)$ for x near x_0

Ex.: $\sqrt{27} \approx 5 + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 5}(27 - 25)$, using $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$

$(1 + x)^k \approx 1 + kx$, using $x_0=0$

$\Delta f = f(x_0 + \Delta x) - f(x_0)$, then $f(x_0 + \Delta x) \approx L(x_0 + \Delta x)$ translates to

$\Delta f \approx f'(x_0) \cdot \Delta x$

differential notation: $df = f'(x_0)dx$

So $\Delta f \approx df$, when $\delta x = dx$ is small

In fact, $\Delta f - df = (\text{diffrence quot} - f'(x_0))\Delta x = (\text{small}) \cdot (\text{small}) = \text{really small}$, goes like $(\Delta x)^2$

§8: Newton's method

A really fast way to approximate roots of a function.

Idea: tangent line to the graph of a function "points towards" a root of the function

Roots of (tangent) lines are easy to find!

$L(x) = f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x - x_0)$; root is $x_1 = x_0 - \frac{f(x_0)}{f'(x_0)}$

Now use x_1 as starting point for new tangent line; keep repeating!

$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$

Basic fact: if x_n approximates a root to k decimal places, then x_{n+1} tends to approximate it to $2k$ decimal places!

BUT:

Newton's method might find the "wrong" root: Int Value Thm might find one, but N.M. finds a different one!

Newton's method might crash: if $f'(x_n) = 0$, then we can't find x_{n+1} (horizontal lines don't have roots!)

Newton's method might wander off to infinity, if f has a horizontal asymptote; an initial guess too far out the line will generate numbers even farther out.

Newton's method can't find what doesn't exist! If f has no roots, Newton's method will try to "find" the function's closest approach to the x -axis; but everytime it gets close, a nearly horizontal tangent line sends it zooming off again!

Chapter 4: Integration

§1: Antiderivatives

Integral calculus is all about finding areas of things, e.g. the area between the graph of a function f and the x -axis. This will, in the end, involve finding a function F whose *derivative* is f .

F is an *antiderivative* (or (indefinite) *integral*) of f if $F'(x) = f(x)$.

Notation: $F(x) = \int f(x) dx$; it means $F'(x) = f(x)$

“the integral of f of x dee x ”

Basic list:

$$\int x^n dx = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + C \text{ (provided } n \neq -1)$$

$$\int \sin(kx) dx = \frac{-\cos(kx)}{k} + C$$

$$\int \cos(kx) dx = \frac{\sin(kx)}{k} + C$$

$$\int \sec^2 x dx = \tan x + C$$

$$\int \csc^2 x dx = -\cot x + C$$

$$\int \sec x \tan x dx = \sec x + C$$

$$\int \csc x \cot x dx = -\csc x + C$$

Most differentiation rules can be turned into integration rules (although some are harder than others; some will even wait until Calc II !)

Basic integration rules: sum and constant multiple rules are easy to reverse

$k = \text{constant}$

$$\int k \cdot f(x) dx = k \int f(x) dx$$

$$\int (f(x) \pm g(x)) dx = \int f(x) dx \pm \int g(x) dx$$

§3: Integration by substitution

The idea: reverse the chain rule!

$$\text{if } g(x) = u, \text{ then } \frac{d}{dx} f(g(x)) = \frac{d}{dx} f(u) = f'(u) \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\text{so } \int f'(u) \frac{du}{dx} dx = \int f'(u) du = f(u) + c$$

$$\int f(g(x))g'(x) dx; \text{ set } u = g(x)$$

then $du = g'(x) dx$, so $\int f(g(x))g'(x) dx = \int f(u) du$, where $u = g(x)$

Example: $\int x(x+2-3)^4 dx$; set $u = x^2 - 3$, so $du = 2x dx$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int x(x+2-3)^4 dx &= \frac{1}{2} \int (x+2-3)^4 2x dx = \frac{1}{2} \int u^4 du \Big|_{u=x^2-3} = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{u^5}{5} + c \Big|_{u=x^2-3} = \frac{(x^2-3)^5}{10} + c \end{aligned}$$

The three most important points:

1. Make sure that you calculate (and then set aside) your du before doing step 2!
2. Make sure everything gets changed from x 's to u 's
3. **Don't** push x 's through the integral sign! They're not constants!

§4: Estimating things with sums

Idea: a lot of things can be estimated by adding up a lot of tiny pieces.

Sigma notation: $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i = a_1 + \dots + a_n$; just add the numbers up

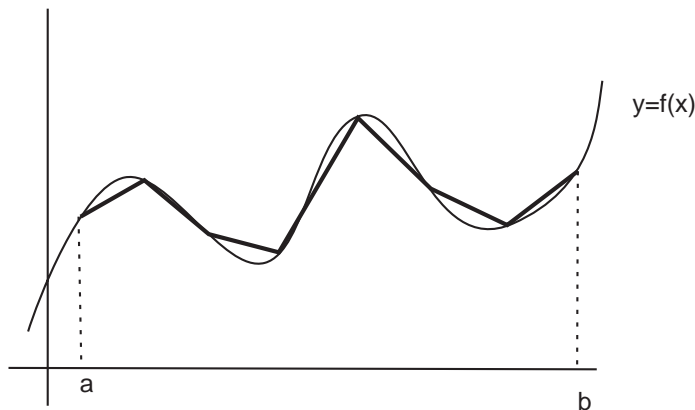
formal properties:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n k a_i = k \sum_{i=1}^n a_i$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (a_i \pm b_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \pm \sum_{i=1}^n b_i$$

Some things worth adding up:

length of a curve: approximate curve by a collection of straight line segments



length of curve $\approx \sum(\text{length of line segments})$

distance travelled = (average velocity)(time of travel)

over short periods of time, avg. vel. \approx instantaneous vel.

so distance travelled $\approx \sum(\text{inst. vel.})(\text{short time intervals})$

E.g., $s(t)$ =position, $v(t)$ =velocity, use velocity 4 times per second

$$\text{dist. travelled} = s(10) - s(5) \approx \sum_{i=1}^{20} v\left(5 + \frac{i}{4}\right)\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)$$

average value of a function

average of n numbers: add the numbers, divide by n

for a function, add up lots of values of f , divide by number of values

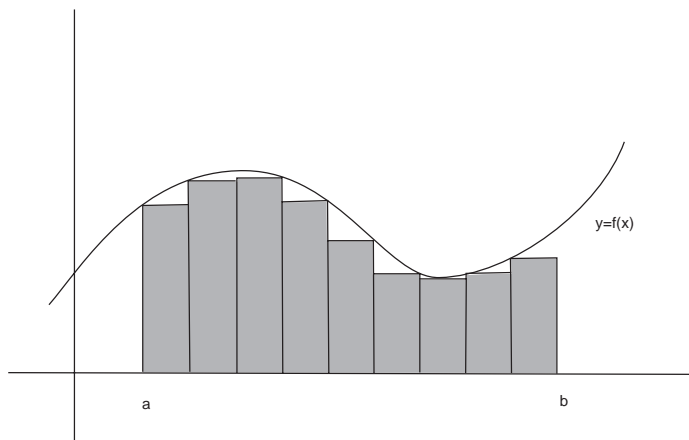
$$\text{avg. value of } f \approx \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n f(c_i)$$

§5: Definite integrals

The most important thing to approximate by sums: area under a curve.

Idea: approximate region b/w curve and x -axis by things whose areas we can easily calculate:

rectangles!



Area between graph and x -axis $\approx \sum$ (areas of the rectangles) $= \sum_{i=1}^n f(c_i) \Delta x_i$

We define the area to be the limit of these sums as the number of rectangles goes to ∞ (i.e., the width of the rectangles goes to 0), and call this the *definite integral* of f from a to b :

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(c_i) \Delta x_i$$

When do such limits exist?

Theorem If f is continuous on the interval $[a, b]$, then $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ exists.

(i.e., the area under the graph is approximated by rectangles.)

§6: Properties of definite integrals

First note: the sum used to define a definite integral does need to have $f(x) \geq 0$; the limit still makes sense. When f is bigger than 0, we interpret the integral as area under the graph.

Basic properties of definite integrals:

$$\int_a^a f(x) dx = 0$$

$$\int_b^a f(x) dx = - \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

$$\int_a^b k f(x) dx = k \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

$$\int_a^b f(x) \pm g(x) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx \pm \int_a^b g(x) dx$$

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx + \int_b^c f(x) dx = \int_a^c f(x) dx$$

If $m \leq f(x) \leq M$ for all x in $[a, b]$, then

$$m(b-a) \leq \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq M(b-a)$$

More generally, if $f(x) \leq g(x)$ for all x in $[a, b]$, then

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \leq \int_a^b g(x) dx$$

Average value of f : formalize our old idea!

$$\text{avg}(f) = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

Mean Value Theorem for integrals: If f is continuous in $[a, b]$, then there is a c in $[a, b]$ so that $f(c) = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx$

§7: The fundamental theorem of calculus

Formally, $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ depends on a and b . Make this explicit:

$$\int_a^x f(t) dt = F(x) \text{ is a function of } x.$$

$F(x)$ = the area under the graph of f , from a to x .

Fund. Thm. of Calc (# 1): If f is continuous, then $F'(x) = f(x)$
(F is an antiderivative of f !)

Since any two antiderivatives differ by a constant, and $F(b) = \int_a^b f(t) dt$, we get

Fund. Thm. of Calc (# 2): If f is continuous, and F is an antiderivative of f , then

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = F(b) - F(a) = F(x) \Big|_a^b$$

Ex: $\int_0^\pi \sin x dx = (-\cos \pi) - (-\cos 0) = 2$

Building antiderivatives:

$$F(x) = \int_a^x \sqrt{\sin t} dt \text{ is an antiderivative of } f(x) = \sqrt{\sin x}$$

$$G(x) = \int_{x^2}^{x^3} \sqrt{1+t^2} dt = F(x^3) - F(x^2), \text{ where}$$

$$F'(x) = \sqrt{1+x^2}, \text{ so } G'(x) = F'(x^3)(3x^2) - F'(x^2)(2x) \dots$$

§8: substitution and definite integrals

We can use u -substitution directly with a definite integral, provided we remember that

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \text{ really means } \int_{x=a}^{x=b} f(x) dx$$

and we remember to change all of the x 's to u 's!

Ex: $\int_1^2 x(1+x^2)^6 dx$; set $u = 1+x^2$, $du = 2x dx$. when $x = 1$, $u = 2$; when $x = 2$, $u = 5$; so

$$\int_1^2 x(1+x^2)^6 dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_2^5 u^6 du = \dots$$