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§1 March 14, 2023

By default, the quiz will be next Tuesday.

§1.1 Continuity, *continued*

Theorem 1.1

$f : X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous if and only if $\forall O \subset Y$ open, the preimage $f^{-1}(O) = \{x \in X \mid f(x) \in O\}$ is open.

Proof. We proved the right implication last time. We'll work on the left implication.

Suppose $\forall O \in Y, f^{-1}(O)$. Let $x_0 \in X, \epsilon > 0$. Then $B_\epsilon(f(x_0))$ is open in Y .

Then $f^{-1}(B_\epsilon(f(x_0)))$ is open in X . Since $x_0 \in f^{-1}(B_\epsilon(f(x_0)))$, $\exists \delta > 0$ such that $B_\delta(x_0) \subset f^{-1}(B_\epsilon(f(x_0)))$.

This implies that if $d(x, x_0) < \delta$, then $x \in f^{-1}(B_\epsilon(f(x_0)))$, then $d_Y(f(x), f(x_0)) < \epsilon$. Then f is continuous at x_0 . \square

Corollary 1.2

$f : X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous in X if and only if for all $C \subset Y$ closed, $f^{-1}(C)$ is closed.

Proof. If C is closed, C^C is open, then $f^{-1}(C^C)$ is open, then $f^{-1}(C^C)^C$ is closed.

We claim $f^{-1}(C) = f^{-1}(C^C)^C$. If $x \in f^{-1}(C)$ iff $f(x) \in C$ iff $x \notin f^{-1}(C^C)$ iff $x \in f^{-1}(C^C)^C$.

This gives a biconditional between the second condition in [theorem 1.1](#) and [corollary 1.2](#). \square

Proposition 1.3

Let X be a metric space. Let $f, g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous at x_0 . If $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, the following are continuous at x_0 :

- (1) $f + g, fg, \alpha f$.
- (2) f/g as long as $g(x_0) \neq 0$.

We'll state this without proof.

Theorem 1.4

Let X, Y, Z be metric spaces. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ and $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ with f continuous at x_0 and g continuous at $f(x_0)$. Then $g \circ f$ is continuous at x_0 .

Proof. Let $\epsilon > 0$. Since g is continuous, $\exists \delta' > 0$ such that if indeed $d_Y(y, f(x_0)) < \delta'$, then $d_Z(g(y), (g \circ f)(x_0)) < \epsilon$.

Then by continuity of f , $\exists \delta > 0$ such that if $d_X(x, x_0) < \delta$, then $d_Y(f(x), f(x_0)) < \delta'$ then $d_Z((g \circ f)(x), (g \circ f)(x_0)) < \epsilon$. Therefore $g \circ f$ is continuous. \square

Theorem 1.5

If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous, $E \subset X$ compact, then $f(E) = \{f(x) \mid x \in E\}$ is compact.

Proof. Let \mathcal{C} be an open cover of $f(E)$. Consider $\mathcal{C}' = \{f^{-1}(O) \mid O \in \mathcal{C}\}$.

Every element of \mathcal{C}' is open because f is continuous. \mathcal{C}' covers E since all elements of $f(E)$ are covered by \mathcal{C} . So \mathcal{C}' is an open cover of E .

Then there exists a finite subcover $\{f^{-1}(O_1), \dots, f^{-1}(O_n)\}$ of E . We claim that $\{O_1, \dots, O_n\}$ is a finite subcover of $f(E)$. Let $y \in f(E)$ so $y = f(x)$ for some $x \in E$. $\exists O_i$ such that $x \in f^{-1}(O_i)$. Then $y = f(x) \in O_i$.

So this is a finite subcover of E . \square

Corollary 1.6

Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ which is continuous, and $E \subset X$ compact, then f is bounded on E .

Proof. We know that $f(E)$ is compact by above, and if a set is compact it is bounded. \square

Corollary 1.7 (Extreme Value Theorem)

Let $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous, and some $E \subset X$ compact.

Then f attains a maximum on E . That is, $\exists x_0 \in E$ such that $f(x_0) \geq f(x) \forall x \in E$. This statement also applies to the minimum.

Proof. $f(E)$ is closed and bounded, so f contains its supremum, say $y = \sup(f(E))$. Since $y \in f(E)$, $\exists x$ such that $f(x) = y$. That is such an x_0 . \square

Definition 1.8 (Uniform Continuity)

We say that $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is uniformly continuous if given $\epsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta > 0$ such that if x, y satisfy

$$d_X(x, y) < \delta \Rightarrow d_Y(f(x), f(y)) < \epsilon.$$

We note that δ does not depend on x, y (normal continuity has δ depend on x, y).

Theorem 1.9

If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ continuous, and X is compact, then f is uniformly continuous.

§2 March 16, 2023

Midterm will be the Thursday after Spring Break, quiz next Tuesday. Homework will be posted today, hopefully¹

§2.1 Uniform Continuity

Theorem 2.1

If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous, and X is compact, then f is uniformly continuous.

The intuition is that we'll use the compactness of X to take some open subcover, taking the minimum of the finite subcover.

Proof. Let $\epsilon > 0$. For each $x \in X$, by continuity, $\exists \delta_x > 0$ such that if $d_X(x, x') < \delta_x$, then $d_Y(f(x), f(y)) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$.

Consider the collection

$$\mathcal{C} = \left\{ B_{\frac{\delta_x}{2}}(x) \mid x \in X \right\}$$

which is an open cover of X .

By compactness, exists a finite subcover

$$\left\{ B_{\frac{\delta_{x_1}}{2}}(x_1), \dots, B_{\frac{\delta_{x_n}}{2}}(x_n) \right\}$$

Let $\delta = \min \left\{ \frac{\delta_{x_1}}{2}, \dots, \frac{\delta_{x_n}}{2} \right\}$. We claim that if $d_X(x, y) < \delta$, then $d_Y(f(x), f(y)) < \epsilon$.

For each x , $\exists i$ such that $d_X(x, x_i) < \frac{\delta_{x_i}}{2}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} d_X(x_i, y) &\leq d_X(x, y) + d_X(x, x_i) \\ &< \delta + \frac{\delta_{x_i}}{2} \leq \delta_{x_i} \end{aligned}$$

But then

$$\begin{aligned} d_Y(f(x), f(y)) &\leq d_Y(f(x), f(x_i)) + d_Y(f(x_i), f(y)) \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

which is as desired. □

¹Or the graders will, verbatim, 'be strangled'.

Definition 2.2 (Connectedness)

A metric space X is disconnected if $\exists O_1, O_2$, non-empty open sets such that $X = O_1 \cup O_2$, and $O_1 \cap O_2 = \emptyset$. If X is not disconnected, we say that X is connected.

Example 2.3

A line or line segment is connected.

Two open intervals who share a limit point is disconnected.

Two disjoint sets is disconnected.

The set $(x, \sin(\frac{1}{x}))$ is connected.

Theorem 2.4

Let X, Y be metric spaces, and $f : X \rightarrow Y$ continuous. If X is connected, then $f(X)$ is connected.

Proof. By contraposition. Assume $\exists O_1, O_2$ disconnected such that $f(X) = O_1 \cup O_2$ and $O_1 \cap O_2 = \emptyset$.

Take $U_1 = f^{-1}(O_1)$ and $U_2 = f^{-1}(O_2)$. U_1, U_2 are open by continuity.

We show that $U_1 \cap U_2 = \emptyset$. If $x \in U_1 \cap U_2$, then $f(x) \in O_1, f(x) \in O_2$ which is a contradiction.

U_1, U_2 are nonempty since O_1, O_2 are nonempty. Then U_1, U_2 are disconnected. \square

Theorem 2.5 (Intermediate Value Theorem)

Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ continuous. $\forall L \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $f(a) < L < f(b)$. Then $\exists c \in (a, b)$ such that $f(c) = L$.²

Proof. Since $[a, b]$ is connected and f is continuous, then $f([a, b])$ is connected.

Let $O_1 = (-\infty, L) \cap f([a, b])$, $O_2 = (L, \infty) \cap f([a, b])$.

Which are non-empty, open in $f([a, b])$, and disjoint. Then $O_1 \cup O_2 \neq f([a, b])$. So, $L \in f([a, b])$ had better be true. \square

²This follows the normal high school definition of continuity, 'you can draw it without lifting your pen'.

§2.2 Discontinuities

Definition 2.6 (Discontinuities)

The following definitions:

- (1) x_0 is a removable discontinuity if f if $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x)$ exists but is different from $f(x_0)$.
- (2) x_0 is a simple discontinuity if $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^-} f(x)$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^+} f(x)$ exist but disagree.
- (3) x_0 may be a discontinuity of a different type.

Example 2.7

Take

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

§3 March 21, 2023

§3.1 Differentiation

From now on, we fix $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, or from an interval to another interval. We'll mostly be dealing with real-valued functions.

Definition 3.1

Let $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. We say f is differentiable at $x_0 \in (a, b)$ if

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

exists. In that case, we write $f'(x_0)$ for this limit.

Proposition 3.2

Let $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable at x_0 . Then f is continuous at x_0 .

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) &= f(x_0) + \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} + \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} (f(x) - f(x_0)) (x - x_0) \\ &= f(x_0) + \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0} \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} (x - x_0) \\ &= f(x_0) + f'(x_0) \cdot 0 = f(x_0) \end{aligned}$$

implies $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = f(x_0)$ implies f is continuous at x_0 . □

Remark 3.3. The converse of this statement is not true. Continuous does not imply differentiable!

Example 3.4

$f(x) = |x|$ is continuous at at 0 but not differentiable.

Let's focus at $x = 0$.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{|x| - |0|}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \operatorname{sgn}(x)$$

which doesn't exist.

Proposition 3.5

Let $f, g : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable functions at x . Then the following are differentiable and satisfy:

- (1) Sum rule: $(f + g)'(x) = f'(x) + g'(x)$.
- (2) Product rule: $(fg)'(x) = f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x)$.
- (3) Quotient rule: $\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)'(x) = \frac{f'(x)g(x) - g'(x)f(x)}{(g(x))^2}$.

Theorem 3.6 (Chain Rule)

Let $f : (a, b) \rightarrow (c, d)$ and $g : (c, d) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ both be differentiable functions at $x_0, f(x_0)$ respectively. Then $(g \circ f)$ is differentiable at x_0 with derivative

$$(g \circ f)'(x_0) = g'(f(x_0))f'(x_0).$$

Proof. We do so in cases.

- (i) Suppose exists sequence $(x_n) \in (a, b)$ such that $x_n \rightarrow x_0$ if $f(x_n) = f(x_0)$ but $x_n \neq x_0$ for infinitely many n .

Then

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x_0) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x_n) - f(x_0)}{x_n - x_0} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (g \circ f)' &= \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{g(f(x)) - g(f(x_0))}{x - x_0} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{g(f(x_n)) - g(f(x_0))}{x_n - x_0} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

- (ii) Every $(x_0) \in (a, b)$ such that $x_n \rightarrow x_0, x_n \neq x_0$ has $f(x_n) = f(x_0)$ finitely many times.

By continuity, $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x_0)$. Then,

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

which covers all cases. □

Example 3.7

Let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 & x \geq 0 \\ -x^2 & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

The derivative at $x = 0$ is

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

We try to squeeze this limit,

$$-h = -\frac{h^2}{h} \leq \frac{f(h)}{h} \leq \frac{h^2}{h} = h$$

then

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} -h \leq \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h)}{h} \leq \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h$$

which forces $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h)}{h} = 0$.

This gives $f'(x) = 0$, and

$$f'(x) = \begin{cases} 2x & x \geq 0 \\ -2x & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

so $f'(x)$ is continuous. We say that $f \in \mathcal{C}^1$ (continuous and differentiable). However, the second derivative of f might not exist at $x = 0$.