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Monotone functions on \mathbb{R}

Definition. Monotone functions on \mathbb{R}

Let $f : I$ (open interval) $\subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function. Then

- f is **monotonically increasing** on I if for each $x, y \in I$ $x \geq y$ implies $f(x) \geq f(y)$
- f is **strictly increasing** on I if for each $x, y \in I$ $x > y$ implies $f(x) > f(y)$
 - \iff for $c \in I$, $f(x) - f(c)$ has the same sign as $x - c$ for all $x \in I$

differentiable maps and monotonicity

☰ Let $f : I$ (open interval) $\subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable. Then f is strictly monotonic \iff $Z(f')$ does not contain an open interval/has empty interior/every stationary point is isolated and f' does not change sign on $I \setminus Z(f')$.

💡 (\implies)

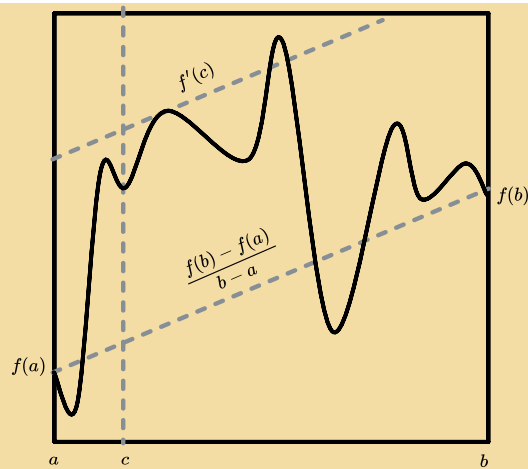
- If $Z(f')$ contains an open interval, then by

☰ (Lagrange's mean value theorem) Let a continuous function

$$f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

be differentiable on (a, b) . Then there is a point $c \in (a, b)$ at which

$$f(b) - f(a) = (b - a)f'(c)$$



f is constant on that interval. Hence, it is not strictly monotonic.

- Let f be strictly decreasing. Then by

☰ (Strictly positive derivative \implies locally (strictly) increasing) Let $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable at $c \in (a, b)$ and

$$f'(c) > 0 \text{ or } +\infty$$

then there is a $I(c) \subseteq (a, b)$ in which $f(x) - f(c)$ has same sign as $x - c$, that is, f is strictly increasing on $I(c)$.



- If $f'(c) > 0$, then by

- Let $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable at $c \in (a, b)$.

- Define

$$f_c^*(x) := \begin{cases} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} & \text{if } x \neq c \\ f'(c) & \text{if } x = c \end{cases}$$

- f_c^* is continuous in (a, b) .

- So we can write f as

$$f(x) - f(c) = (x - c)f_c^*(x)$$

for an unique continuous f_c^* .

we have

$$f(x) - f(c) = (x - c)f_c^*(x)$$

for a continuous f_c^*

- By

☰ (Continuity preserves sign locally): Let $I(c)$ be an interval containing c and

$$f : I(c) \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

be continuous at $c \in I(c)$, $f(c) \neq 0$. Then for $\epsilon := |f(c)|/2$ there is an interval around c such that

$$\exists I_\delta(c) \subseteq f^{-1}(I_\epsilon(c)) \subseteq I(c)$$

Thus on this interval, image of f is in

$$I_\epsilon(c) = f(c) + \left(-\frac{|f(c)|}{2}, \frac{|f(c)|}{2} \right)$$

$\implies f$ has the same sign as $f(c)$ on $I_\delta(c)$.

, there is a $I_\epsilon(c) \subseteq (a, b)$ in which $f'_c(x)$ has same sign as $f^*(c) = f'(c) > 0$.

- This means $f(x) - f(c)$ has same sign as $x - c$.

$f' < 0$ on $I \setminus Z(f')$.

☀ (\Leftarrow) Let $f' \geq 0$. Then by

| Hypothesis on f' | Consequence of Corollary of <u>mean value theorem</u>: If $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable, then for any proper subinterval $(x_1, x_2) \subset (a, b)$ by <u>mean value theorem</u> we have $\exists x \in (x_1, x_2) : f(x_2) - f(x_1) = (x_2 - x_1)f'(x)$ |
|-------------------------|--|
| $f' \geq 0$ on (a, b) | $\forall x_1 < x_2 \in (a, b), f(x_1) - f(x_2) \geq 0$ thus f is increasing on (a, b) |
| $f' = 0$ on (a, b) | $\forall x_1 < x_2 \in (a, b), f(x_1) - f(x_2) = 0$ thus f is constant on (a, b) |
| $f' \leq 0$ on (a, b) | $\forall x_1 < x_2 \in (a, b), f(x_1) - f(x_2) \leq 0$ thus f is decreasing on (a, b) |
| $f' < 0$ on (a, b) | $\forall x_1 < x_2 \in (a, b), f(x_1) - f(x_2) < 0$ thus f is strictly decreasing on (a, b) |

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| $f' > 0$ on (a, b) | $\forall x_1 < x_2 \in (a, b), f(x_1) - f(x_2) > 0$ thus f is strictly increasing on (a, b) |
| $f' = \alpha$ is a constant on (a, b) or $f'' = 0$ on (a, b) | $f(x) - \alpha x$ has zero derivative, thus f is linear $f(x) \equiv f'(0)x + f(0)$ |


we conclude f is increasing on I .

- If there are $x, y \in I$ such that $f(x) = f(y)$, then

$$f \equiv f(x) \text{ on } [x, y]$$

$$\implies f' \equiv 0 \text{ on } [x, y]$$

- So if $Z(f')$ are isolated, we conclude that f must be **strictly increasing**.

 **Let $A \subseteq [0, 1]$ be a compact subset with empty interior. Then there exists a $f \in C^1[0, 1]$ such that $Z(f') = A$.**

 Let the connected components of $[0, 1] \setminus A$ be

$$I_1, \dots$$

- Then

$$I_n \cap (0, 1) = (a_n, b_n)$$

- ...

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$$\partial_t^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n v_i^2 \partial_{x_i}^2 + m^2$$

- [Laplace](#) Laplace operator on \mathbb{R}^n
- [Lmeas](#) Lebesgue measurable subsets of and functions on \mathbb{R}^n, T^n, S^n
- [Lmeas bd of open](#) Lebesgue measure of boundary of open sets in \mathbb{R}^n
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- [monotone](#) Monotone functions on \mathbb{R}
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1. <https://math.stackexchange.com/a/1845973/1290493> ↩