

Example of a bad logical mistake

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~~Assume $P(n)$ holds true for all n
let us prove $P(n+1)$~~

very bad

Assume $P(n)$ is true for a
certain n , let us prove $P(n+1)$

good

This would prove that
 $P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1)$ is true for all n

Another bad example:

$\{\emptyset\}$ is not the empty set!!

$\emptyset$ is the empty set.

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103 calculating limits by reducing to a derivative

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x^2)}{x}$$

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

Define $f(x) = \sin(x^2)$

$$f(0) = 0 \quad f'(x) = 2x \cos(x^2) \quad 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x^2)}{x} \stackrel{\downarrow}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} =$$

$$= f'(0) = 2 \cdot 0 \cdot \cos(0^2) = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\dots}{x - a}$$

To use this method, we should express the numerator as $f(x) - f(a)$ for some function f .

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$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x-1}{x^n-1}$$

Calculate instead

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^n-1}{x-1}$$

Define $f(x) = x^n$ $f(1) = 1$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^n-1}{x-1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{f(x)-f(1)}{x-1} = f'(1)$$

We have $f'(x) = nx^{n-1}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^n-1}{x-1} = n \cdot 1^{n-1} = n$$

Now we have $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x-1}{x^n-1} = \frac{1}{n}$

Advantage of this approach is that it works with any exponent n

Ex 103

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$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+1} - 1}{x}$$

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \sqrt{x+1} & f(0) &= 1 \\ f'(x) &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+1}} \end{aligned}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+1} - 1}{x} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} = f'(0) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{0+1}} = \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

This method would not work for

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+1} - 2}{x}$$

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$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{e^x - e}{x - 1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= e^x & f(1) &= e \\ f'(x) &= e^x \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{e^x - e}{x - 1} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{f(x) - f(1)}{x - 1} = f'(1) \\ &= e^1 = e \end{aligned}$$

Ex 105

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$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2x}\right)^x$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{2x}\right)^x = e^{x \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{2x}\right)}$$

let us calculate

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} x \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{2x}\right)$$

Define new variable $u = \frac{1}{2x}$

When $x \rightarrow +\infty$, $u \rightarrow 0^+$

$$x = \frac{1}{2u}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} x \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{2x}\right) = \lim_{u \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{2u} \ln(1+u)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{u \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln(1+u)}{u} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

let us return to the initial limit

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2x}\right)^x = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} e^{x \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{2x}\right)}$$

$$= e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} x \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{2x}\right)} = e^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{e}$$

Remarkable limits

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln(1+x)}{x} = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1+x)^a - 1}{x} = a$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1}{x} = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\ln x}{x^a} = 0 \quad (a > 0)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{x^a}{e^x} = 0 \quad (a \in \mathbb{R})$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{5^x - 1}{x}$$

$$f(x) = 5^x \quad f(0) = 1 \quad f'(x) = 5^x \ln 5$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{5^x - 1}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} = f'(0)$$

$$= 5^0 \ln 5 = \ln 5$$

You may take $f(x) = 5^x - 1$ as well. In this case

$$f(0) = 0 \quad f'(x) = 5^x \ln 5$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{5^x - 1}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0}$$

$$= f'(0) = 5^0 \ln 5 = \ln 5$$

Ex 105

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$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} x \left(3^{\frac{1}{x}} - 1 \right)$$

Define a new variable $u = \frac{1}{x}$ $x = \frac{1}{u}$

When $x \rightarrow +\infty$ $u \rightarrow 0^+$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} x \left(3^{\frac{1}{x}} - 1 \right) = \lim_{u \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{u} \left(3^u - 1 \right)$$

$$= \lim_{u \rightarrow 0} \frac{3^u - 1}{u}$$

$$f'(u) = 3^u \ln 3$$

$$\text{Take } f(u) = 3^u \quad f(0) = 1$$

$$\lim_{u \rightarrow 0} \frac{3^u - 1}{u} = \lim_{u \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(u) - f(0)}{u - 0} = f'(0)$$

$$= 3^0 \ln 3 = \ln 3$$

$$\text{Conclusion: } \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} x \left(3^{\frac{1}{x}} - 1 \right) = \ln 3$$

Ex 105

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$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \left(1 + \frac{r}{x}\right)^x \quad r \in \mathbb{R}$$

Did it already with $r = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2x}\right)^x$$

The case of general r is similar

let $u = \frac{r}{x}$ be a new variable $x = \frac{r}{u}$

When $x \rightarrow +\infty$ $u \rightarrow 0^+$ if $r > 0$, and
 $u \rightarrow 0^-$ if $r < 0$

In any case $u \rightarrow 0$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \left(1 + \frac{r}{x}\right)^x = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} e^{x \ln \left(1 + \frac{r}{x}\right)}$$

$$= \lim_{u \rightarrow 0} e^{\frac{r}{u} \ln(1+u)} = e^{r \lim_{u \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln(1+u)}{u}}$$

$$= e^{r \cdot 1} = e^r$$

Ex 104

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$$I =]0; \frac{\pi}{2}[\quad f(x) = \frac{1}{x \tan x} \quad (x \in I)$$

② f defines a bijection $I \rightarrow J$,
where J is an interval to be
specified.

$$f'(x) = - \frac{\tan x + \frac{x}{(\cos x)^2}}{(x \tan x)^2}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \tan x > 0 \text{ for } x \in I \\ \frac{x}{(\cos x)^2} > 0 \text{ for } x \in I \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow f'(x) < 0 \text{ for } x \in I$$

f is strictly decreasing on I
Hence it defines a bijection $I \rightarrow J$,
and we only have to specify J .

To do this, let us calculate

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}^-} f(x)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{x \tan x} = +\infty$$

when $x \rightarrow 0^+$ $\tan x \rightarrow 0$ and remains positive

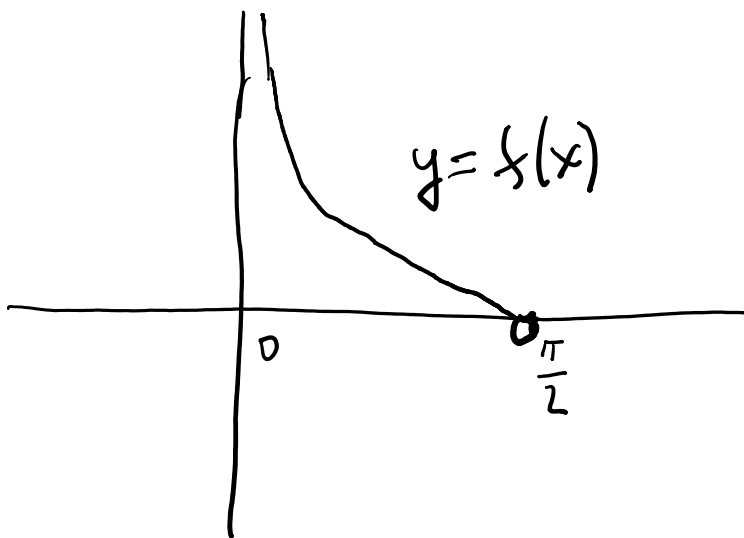
$$\frac{1}{x} \rightarrow +\infty, \quad \frac{1}{\tan x} \rightarrow +\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}^-} \frac{1}{x \tan x}$$

When $x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}^-$ $\tan x \rightarrow +\infty$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}^-} \frac{1}{x \tan x} = 0$$

Hence $J =]0; +\infty[$



Theorem Let f be a function defined on some interval I

Assume that:

- ① f is continuous on I , and
- ② f is strictly increasing or strictly decreasing on I

Then f defines a bijection $I \rightarrow J$, where J is another interval

If $I = [a, b]$ then $J = [f(a), f(b)]$
when f is increasing
or $[f(b), f(a)]$
when f is decreasing

If $I =]a, b[$ then $f(a), f(b)$ must be replaced by

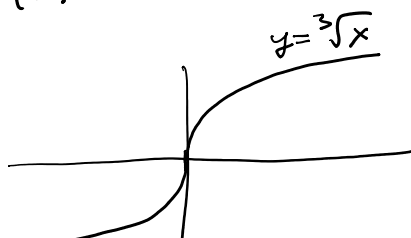
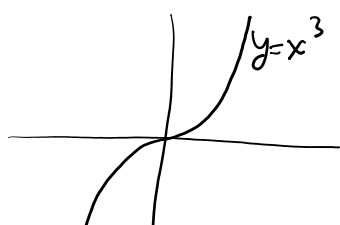
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x), \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow b^-} f(x)$$

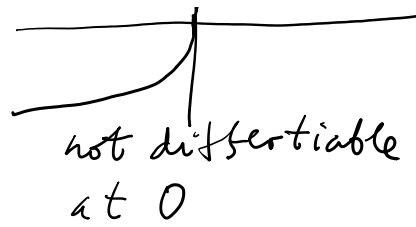
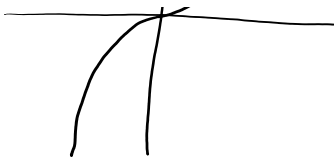
and J is also open

The inverse function $g: J \rightarrow I$ continuous when f is continuous

However, it is possible that f is differentiable, but is not

Example: $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
 $f(x) = x^3$





The inverse function is differentiable
on J if f satisfies

• $f'(x) \neq 0$ for all $x \in I$

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Let $g: J \rightarrow I$ be the inverse function for f .

- Is g continuous on J ?

Yes, because f is continuous on I

- Is g differentiable on J ?

Yes, because

$$f'(x) = - \frac{\tan x + \frac{x}{(\cos x)^2}}{(x \tan x)^2} < 0,$$

in particular $f'(x) \neq 0$ for $x \in I$

Ex 106 ①

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$$f(x) = x^x \quad x \in]0; +\infty[$$

$$f'(x) = (e^{x \ln x})' = e^{x \ln x} \cdot (x \ln x)' =$$

$$= x^x (\ln x + 1)$$

$$f'(x) = 0 \quad \ln x + 1 = 0$$

$$\ln x = -1 \quad x = e^{-1} = \frac{1}{e}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} e^{x \ln x}$$

Let us calculate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \ln x$

We introduce the new variable

$$u = \frac{1}{x} \quad \text{When } x \rightarrow 0^+ \quad u \rightarrow +\infty$$

$$x = \frac{1}{u}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \ln x = \lim_{u \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{u} \ln \frac{1}{u}$$

$$= - \lim_{u \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\ln u}{u} = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \ln x = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \ln x$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} e^{x \ln x} = e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \ln x}$$

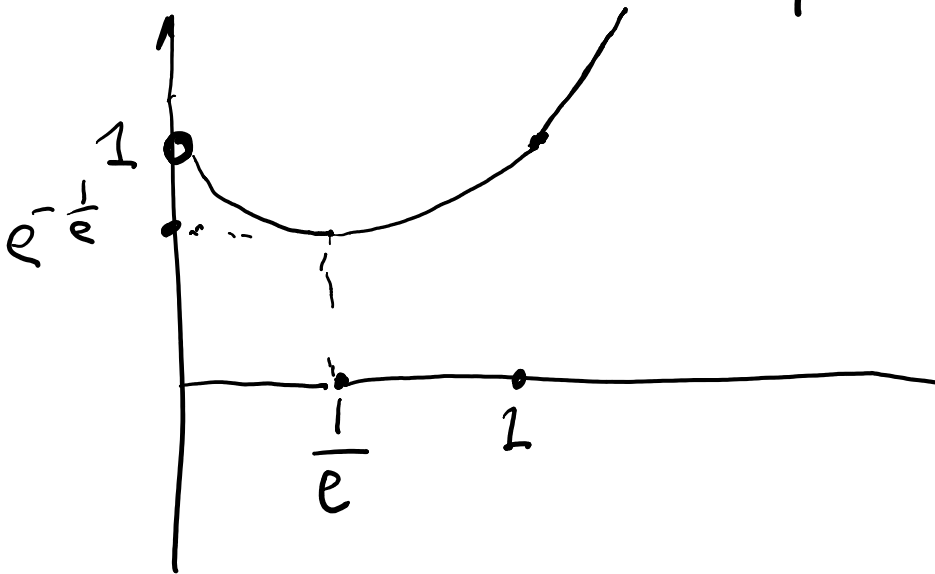
$$= e^0 = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} e^{x \ln x} = +\infty$$

$$x \rightarrow +\infty \quad \ln x \rightarrow +\infty$$

Variation table

x	$\rightarrow 0^+$	$]0; \frac{1}{e}[$	$\frac{1}{e}$	$] \frac{1}{e}; +\infty[$	$\rightarrow +\infty$
$f'(x)$		-	0	+	
$f(x)$	$\rightarrow 1$	$\searrow$	$\min$ $e^{-\frac{1}{e}}$	$\nearrow$	$\rightarrow +\infty$

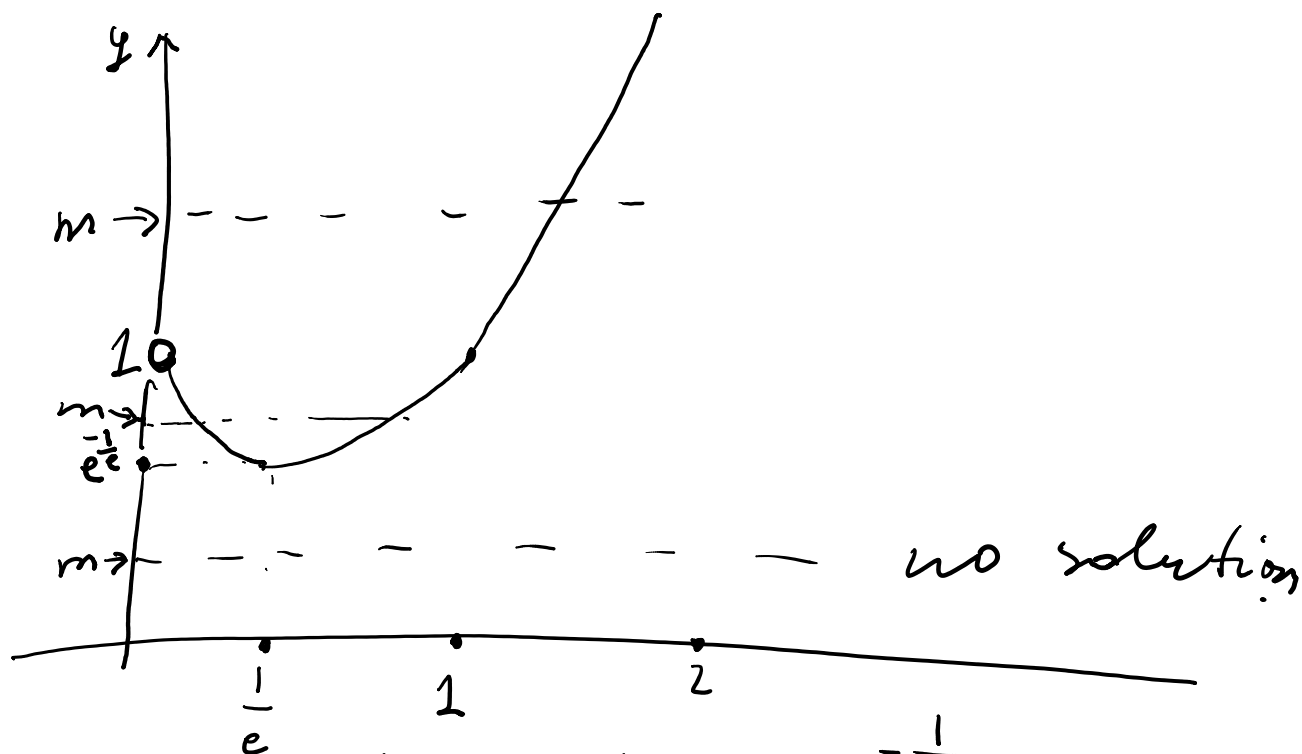


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Determine the number

of solutions of the equation $f(x) = m$
depending on the values of $m \in \mathbb{R}$



No solution if $m < e^{-\frac{1}{e}}$

If $m = e^{-\frac{1}{e}}$ then there's one

solution $x = \frac{1}{e}$

If $e^{-\frac{1}{e}} < m < 1$ then there are 2
solutions

If $m \geq 1$ then there's one solution

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