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And,

$$\cos^{(\alpha)}(x) - i \sin^{(\alpha)}(x) = (-i)^\alpha e^{-ix}$$

Hence we obtain,

$$\begin{aligned} \cos^{(\alpha)}(x) &= \frac{i^\alpha e^{ix} + (-i)^\alpha e^{-ix}}{2} \\ &= \frac{e^{\alpha(i\pi/2)} e^{ix} + e^{\alpha(-i\pi/2)} e^{-ix}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Using the fact that:

$$e^{i\pi/2} = \cos(\pi/2) + i \sin(\pi/2) = i$$

We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \cos^\alpha(x) &= \frac{(\cos(\pi\alpha/2) + i \sin(\pi\alpha/2))e^{ix} + (\cos(\pi\alpha/2) - i \sin(\pi\alpha/2))e^{-ix}}{2} \\ &= \cos(\pi\alpha/2) \frac{(e^{ix} + e^{-ix})}{2} + \sin(\pi\alpha/2) \frac{(e^{ix} - e^{-ix})}{2i} \\ &= \cos(\pi\alpha/2) \cos x + \sin(\pi\alpha/2) \sin x = \cos\left(x + \frac{\alpha\pi}{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Similar argument gives:

$$\sin^{(\alpha)}(x) = \sin\left(x + \frac{\alpha\pi}{2}\right) \quad \blacksquare$$

Thus,

$$(-\alpha)!g(1) = -e\alpha \int_0^1 e^{-1/t} t^{\alpha-1} dt + \left(1 + \frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{(2-\alpha)(1-\alpha)} + \frac{1}{(3-\alpha)(2-\alpha)(1-\alpha)} + \dots \right)$$

Using **Lemma 3**, we get:

$$(-\alpha)!g(1) = (-\alpha)!e$$

But, $(-\alpha)!g(1) = h(1) = ce = (-\alpha)!e$ which implies that: $c = (-\alpha)!$.

Now, suppose that: $\alpha \leq -1$. Let k be any integer smaller than $\alpha + 1$, then $\alpha - k \geq -1$ and using the equality:

$$\frac{d^\alpha}{dx^\alpha} \circ \frac{d^\beta}{dx^\beta} (f(x)) = \frac{d^{\alpha+\beta}}{dx^{\alpha+\beta}} (f(x)),$$

To obtain:

$$\frac{d^\alpha e^x}{dx^\alpha} = \frac{d^{\alpha-k}}{dx^{\alpha-k}} \circ \frac{d^k}{dx^k} e^x = \frac{d^{\alpha-k}}{dx^{\alpha-k}} e^x = e^x$$

Thus for any, $\alpha \in R$, $\frac{d^{(\alpha)}}{dx^{(\alpha)}}(e^x) = e^x$. ■

Using theorems 1 and 2, the following theorem is obtained:

Theorem 3:

For any, $\alpha \in R$, $\frac{d^{(\alpha)}}{dx^{(\alpha)}}(e^{\lambda x}) = \lambda^\alpha e^{\lambda x}$.

Corollary 1:

The fractional derivatives of order α of the functions $\sin x$ and $\cos x$ are given by

$$\sin^{(\alpha)}(x) = \sin\left(x + \frac{\alpha\pi}{2}\right), \quad \cos^{(\alpha)}(x) = \cos\left(x + \frac{\alpha\pi}{2}\right)$$

Proof:

Using the identity $\cos x + i \sin x = e^{ix}$ and according to **Theorem 3**:

$$\cos^{(\alpha)}(x) + i \sin^{(\alpha)}(x) = i^\alpha e^{ix}$$

Multiplying $g(x)$ by $(-\alpha)!$ we get:

$$\begin{aligned} (-\alpha)!g(x) = \dots + \frac{(-\alpha)!x^{-2-\alpha}}{(-2-\alpha)!} + \frac{(-\alpha)!x^{-1-\alpha}}{(-1-\alpha)!} \\ + \frac{(-\alpha)!x^{-\alpha}}{(-\alpha)!} + \frac{(-\alpha)!x^{1-\alpha}}{(1-\alpha)!} + \frac{(-\alpha)!x^{2-\alpha}}{(2-\alpha)!} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

and using the identity:

$$(x+n)! = (x+n)(x+n-1)\dots(x+1)x!$$

For any x and positive integer n , the following equivalent equality is obtained:

$$\begin{aligned} (-\alpha)!g(x) = \dots - x^{-3-\alpha}\alpha(\alpha+1)(\alpha+2) + x^{-2-\alpha}\alpha(\alpha+1) - x^{-1-\alpha}\alpha \\ + x^{-\alpha} + \frac{x^{1-\alpha}}{1-\alpha} + \frac{x^{2-\alpha}}{(2-\alpha)(1-\alpha)} + \frac{x^{3-\alpha}}{(3-\alpha)(2-\alpha)(1-\alpha)} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Now, let $h(x)$ denote the right side of the previous equality, clearly it satisfies $h'(x) = h(x)$, then $h(x) = ce^x$, where c is constant. Hence it is sufficient to prove that: $c = (-\alpha)!$. Now, let $x = 1$ then:

$$\begin{aligned} (-\alpha)!g(1) = (\dots - \alpha(\alpha+1)(\alpha+2) + \alpha(\alpha+1) - \alpha) \\ + \left(1 + \frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{(2-\alpha)(1-\alpha)} + \frac{1}{(3-\alpha)(2-\alpha)(1-\alpha)} + \dots \right) \end{aligned}$$

Two cases are considered as follows:

Case I: Let $\alpha > -1$, then the series is convergent for any $\alpha \notin \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$,

$$1 + \frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{(2-\alpha)(1-\alpha)} + \frac{1}{(3-\alpha)(2-\alpha)(1-\alpha)} + \dots$$

Upon using **Lemma 1**, an equality of the form is obtained:

$$-\alpha + \alpha(\alpha+1) - \alpha(\alpha+1)(\alpha+2) + \dots = k(1) = -e\alpha \int_0^1 e^{-1/t} t^{\alpha-1} dt$$

$$(-\alpha)! = e^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{(2-\alpha)(1-\alpha)} + \dots \right) + \left(-\alpha \int_0^1 e^{-1/t} t^{\alpha-1} dt \right) + e^{-1}$$

Thus,

$$\left((-\alpha)! e + \alpha \int_0^1 e^{-1/t} t^{\alpha-1} dt \right) = 1 + \frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{(1-\alpha)(2-\alpha)} + \dots$$

Hence,

$$(-\alpha)! = -\alpha \int_0^1 e^{-1/t} t^{\alpha-1} dt + e^{-1} \left(1 + \frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{(2-\alpha)(1-\alpha)} + \dots \right) \quad \blacksquare$$

Theorem 2:

For any $\alpha \in R$, $\frac{d^{(\alpha)}}{dx^{(\alpha)}}(e^x) = e^x$.

Proof:

It is sufficient to prove the theorem for $\alpha \notin Z$, because for $\alpha \in Z$, the theorem is obvious. So, assume that $\alpha \notin Z$.

Using the expansion

$$e^x = \sum_{i=-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{x^i}{i!} = \dots + \frac{x^{-2}}{(-2)!} + \frac{x^{-1}}{(-1)!} + \frac{x^0}{0!} + \frac{x^1}{1!} + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots$$

Applying **Definition 1**, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^{(\alpha)}}{dx^{(\alpha)}}(e^x) &= \sum_{i=-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{x^{i-\alpha}}{(i-\alpha)!} \\ &= \dots + \frac{x^{-2-\alpha}}{(-2-\alpha)!} + \frac{x^{-1-\alpha}}{(-1-\alpha)!} + \frac{x^{-\alpha}}{(-\alpha)!} + \frac{x^{1-\alpha}}{(1-\alpha)!} + \frac{x^{2-\alpha}}{(2-\alpha)!} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

and hence the theorem can be proved if the following identity is proved:

$$\dots + \frac{x^{-2-\alpha}}{(-2-\alpha)!} + \frac{x^{-1-\alpha}}{(-1-\alpha)!} + \frac{x^{-\alpha}}{(-\alpha)!} + \frac{x^{1-\alpha}}{(1-\alpha)!} + \frac{x^{2-\alpha}}{(2-\alpha)!} + \dots = e^x$$

Let

$$g(x) = \dots + \frac{x^{-2-\alpha}}{(-2-\alpha)!} + \frac{x^{-1-\alpha}}{(-1-\alpha)!} + \frac{x^{-\alpha}}{(-\alpha)!} + \frac{x^{1-\alpha}}{(1-\alpha)!} + \frac{x^{2-\alpha}}{(2-\alpha)!} + \dots$$

Proof:

Using the definition of Gamma function, we have

$$(-\alpha)! = \Gamma(-\alpha + 1) = \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-t} t^{-\alpha} dt = \int_0^1 e^{-t} t^{-\alpha} dt + \int_1^{+\infty} e^{-t} t^{-\alpha} dt$$

For the first integral **Lemma 2** implies

$$\int_0^1 e^{-t} t^{-\alpha} dt = e^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{(2-\alpha)(1-\alpha)} + \frac{1}{(3-\alpha)(2-\alpha)(1-\alpha)} + \dots \right) \quad (1)$$

For the second integral, using repeated integration by parts we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^{+\infty} e^{-t} t^{-\alpha} dt &= e^{-1} \left(1 - \alpha + \alpha(\alpha + 1) - \dots + (-1)^{n-1} \alpha(\alpha + 1) \dots (\alpha + n - 1) \right) \\ &\quad + (-1)^n \alpha(\alpha + 1) \dots (\alpha + n) \int_1^{+\infty} \frac{e^{-t}}{t^{\alpha+n+1}} dt \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

But,

$$\int_0^1 e^{-1/t} t^{\alpha-1} dt = \int_1^{\infty} e^{-t} t^{-\alpha-1} dt \quad (3)$$

Since $\alpha + 1 > 0$ when $\alpha > -1$, then:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 e^{-1/t} t^{\alpha-1} dt &= \int_1^{\infty} e^{-t} t^{-(\alpha+1)} dt \\ &= e^{-1} \left(1 - (\alpha + 1) + (\alpha + 1)(\alpha + 2) - \dots \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (-1)^{n-1} (\alpha + 1)(\alpha + 2) \dots (\alpha + n - 1) \right) \\ &\quad + (-1)^n (\alpha + 1)(\alpha + 2) \dots (\alpha + n) \int_1^{+\infty} \frac{e^{-t}}{t^{\alpha+n+1}} dt \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\left(-\alpha e \int_0^1 e^{-1/t} t^{\alpha-1} dt \right) + 1 = e \int_1^{\infty} e^{-t} t^{-\alpha} dt$$

Now, from (1),(2) and (3) we have:

Proof:

Since $t^{-\alpha} e^{-t} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n t^{n-\alpha}}{n!}$, then

$$(1) \quad \int_0^1 e^{-t} t^{-\alpha} dt = \int_0^1 \left(\sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^n t^{n-\alpha}}{n!} \right) dt$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} \int_0^1 t^{n-\alpha} dt = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} \frac{1}{n-\alpha+1}$$

i.e.

$$(2) \quad \int_0^1 e^{-t} t^{-\alpha} dt = \frac{1}{1-\alpha} - \frac{1}{1!} \frac{1}{2-\alpha} + \frac{1}{2!} \frac{1}{3-\alpha} - \frac{1}{3!} \frac{1}{4-\alpha} + \dots$$

A proof of the following identity was reported in p.238 of Ref. [4]:

$$(3) \quad \frac{1}{\Gamma(x+1)} + \frac{1}{\Gamma(x+2)} + \dots = \frac{e}{\Gamma(x)} \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{1!} \frac{1}{x+1} + \frac{1}{2!} \frac{1}{x+2} - \frac{1}{3!} \frac{1}{x+3} + \dots \right)$$

Substituting $x = 1 - \alpha$, equation (3) becomes:

$$(4) \quad \frac{1}{\Gamma(2-\alpha)} + \frac{1}{\Gamma(3-\alpha)} + \dots = \frac{e}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)} \left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha} - \frac{1}{1!} \frac{1}{2-\alpha} + \frac{1}{2!} \frac{1}{3-\alpha} - \frac{1}{3!} \frac{1}{4-\alpha} + \dots \right)$$

From (2) and (4), we have:

$$\frac{\Gamma(1-\alpha)}{\Gamma(2-\alpha)} + \frac{\Gamma(1-\alpha)}{\Gamma(3-\alpha)} + \dots = e \int_0^1 e^{-t} t^{-\alpha} dt$$

Thus,

$$\int_0^1 e^{-t} t^{-\alpha} dt = e^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{(2-\alpha)(1-\alpha)} + \frac{1}{(3-\alpha)(2-\alpha)(1-\alpha)} + \dots \right). \blacksquare$$

Lemma 3:

For any $\alpha > 0$,

$$(-\alpha)! = -\alpha \int_0^1 e^{-1/t} t^{\alpha-1} dt$$

$$+ e^{-1} \left(1 + \frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{(2-\alpha)(1-\alpha)} + \frac{1}{(3-\alpha)(2-\alpha)(1-\alpha)} + \dots \right)$$

In this paper it is proved that the fractional derivatives of order α , $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, of the exponential function e^x is the exponential function e^x . This is done using the following lemmas:

Lemma 1

For any $\alpha > -1$, if

$$k(x) = -\alpha x^{1+\alpha} + \alpha(\alpha+1)x^{2+\alpha} - \alpha(\alpha+1)(\alpha+2)x^{3+\alpha} + \dots$$

then

$$k(1) = -e\alpha \int_0^1 e^{-1/t} t^{\alpha-1} dt.$$

Proof:

The function k satisfies the following differential equation

$$\begin{aligned} k'(x) &= -\alpha(1+\alpha)x^\alpha + \alpha(\alpha+1)(\alpha+2)x^{1+\alpha} - \alpha(\alpha+1)(\alpha+2)(\alpha+3)x^{2+\alpha} + \dots \\ &= -\frac{k(x) + \alpha x^{1+\alpha}}{x^2} = -\frac{k(x)}{x^2} - \alpha x^{1+\alpha} \end{aligned}$$

i.e.

$$y' + \frac{1}{x^2}y = -\alpha x^{\alpha-1}, \quad y = k(x)$$

Also, $k(0) = 0$ because $\alpha > -1$. Hence the solution of this differential equation is the following function:

$$k(x) = -\alpha e^{1/x} \int_0^x e^{-1/t} t^{\alpha-1} dt$$

So

$$k(1) = -e\alpha \int_0^1 e^{-1/t} t^{\alpha-1} dt. \quad \blacksquare$$

Lemma 2:

For any $\alpha > -1$,

$$\int_0^1 e^{-t} t^{-\alpha} dt = e^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{(2-\alpha)(1-\alpha)} + \frac{1}{(3-\alpha)(2-\alpha)(1-\alpha)} + \dots \right)$$

In [2], it is proved that, by using the definition as in Equation (1.0),

$$\frac{d^\alpha}{dx^\alpha}(c) = \frac{c}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)} x^{-\alpha}$$

$$\frac{d^\alpha}{dx^\alpha}(x^n) = \frac{\Gamma(n+1)}{\Gamma(n-\alpha+1)} x^{n-\alpha}$$

Also, in [1] the new definition to the fractional derivatives of the constant function and the function x^n gives the same results.

Theorem 1:

If $g(x) = f(\lambda x)$, then $g^{(\alpha)}(x) = \lambda^\alpha f^{(\alpha)}(\lambda x)$

Proof:

It is sufficient to prove the theorem for $\alpha \notin Z$, because for $\alpha \in Z$, the theorem is obvious. So, assume that $\alpha \notin Z$.

Write $f(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n \frac{x^n}{n!}$, then

$$g(x) = f(\lambda x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n \frac{\lambda^n x^n}{n!}$$

Then

$$g^{(\alpha)}(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n \frac{\lambda^n x^{n-\alpha}}{(n-\alpha)!}$$

But

$$f^{(\alpha)}(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n \frac{x^{n-\alpha}}{(n-\alpha)!}$$

So

$$f^{(\alpha)}(\lambda x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n \frac{(\lambda x)^{n-\alpha}}{(n-\alpha)!} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n \frac{\lambda^{n-\alpha} x^{n-\alpha}}{(n-\alpha)!}$$

$$= \lambda^{-\alpha} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n \frac{\lambda^n x^{n-\alpha}}{(n-\alpha)!} = \lambda^{-\alpha} g^{(\alpha)}(x)$$

Therefore, $g^{(\alpha)}(x) = \lambda^\alpha f^{(\alpha)}(\lambda x)$. ■

INTRODUCTION AND DEFINITIONS

A fractional derivative $\frac{d^\alpha f(t)}{dt^\alpha}$ is an extension of the familiar n th derivative $\frac{d^n f(t)}{dt^n}$ of the function $f(t)$. The most common definition for the fractional derivative of order $\alpha \in R$ of the function f is the ‘‘Riemann-Liouville integral’’, see [2],[3],[5]:

$$\frac{d^\alpha f(x)}{dx^\alpha} = f^{(\alpha)}(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(-\alpha)} \int_0^x \frac{f(t)}{(x-t)^{\alpha+1}} dt \quad (1.0)$$

where $\Gamma(n)$ is the Euler’s Gamma Function.

For example, using equation (1.0), the $(1/2)$ th derivatives of the functions $f(x) = x$ and $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$ can be evaluated as:

$$\frac{d^{1/2}}{dx^{1/2}} x = \frac{2\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{\pi}} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d^{1/2}}{dx^{1/2}} \sqrt{x} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$$

In [1], a new definition of the fractional derivative of the function f of the order α , $\alpha \in R$ is defined as:

If $f(x) := \sum_{i=0}^{+\infty} a_i \frac{x^i}{i!}$ and define $(-1)! = (-2)! = \dots = \pm\infty$, then f can be written in the form

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=-\infty}^{+\infty} a_i \frac{x^i}{i!} \quad (1.1)$$

The fractional derivatives of order α , $\alpha \in R$, of the function f is defined by:

$$f^{(\alpha)}(x) = \sum_{i=-\infty}^{+\infty} a_i \frac{x^{i-\alpha}}{(i-\alpha)!} \quad (1.2)$$

Notes:

- 1) For each $x > 0$, $x! = \Gamma(x+1)$.
- 2) For each x , $\frac{x^i}{i!} = 0$ for $i = -1, -2, \dots$
- 3) $(-\alpha)! = \frac{\Gamma(-\alpha+m)}{\alpha(\alpha+1)(\alpha+2)\dots(\alpha+m-1)}$, $m-1 < \alpha \leq m$, m is a nonnegative integer.
- 3) For each $x \neq 0$, $\frac{x^{i-\alpha}}{(i-\alpha)!} \neq 0$ if α is a non-integer number.

ملخص

يهدف هذا البحث الى تقديم برهان جديد للمشتقات الكسرية من قوة $\alpha \in R$ للاقتوانات الاسية $e^{\lambda x}$ والتي تساوي $\lambda^\alpha e^{\lambda x}$ وذلك حسب تعريف المشتقات الكسرية الذي ذكر في [1]. كذلك تم تقديم برهان للمشتقات الكسرية للاقتوانات المثلثية $\sin x$ و $\cos x$ من قوة $\alpha \in R$ وهي

$$\cos^{(\alpha)}(x) = \cos(x + \alpha\pi/2) \quad \text{و} \quad \sin^{(\alpha)}(x) = \sin(x + \alpha\pi/2)$$

Abstract

In this paper a new proof of the well known fact that the fractional derivative of $e^{\lambda x}$ of order $\alpha \in R$ is equal to $\lambda^\alpha e^{\lambda x}$ is given according to the mentioned definition in [1]. Also, it is proved that $\sin^{(\alpha)}(x) = \sin(x + \alpha\pi/2)$ and $\cos^{(\alpha)}(x) = \cos(x + \alpha\pi/2)$.

NEW PROOFS OF FRACTIONAL DERIVATIVES OF THE EXPONENTIAL AND TRIGONOMETRIC FUNCTIONS

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