

Solution to Exercise 6

1. Please refer to Lemma 2.2 in Note 1.

2. Since $K \subset \text{ri}(\text{dom } f)$, we can assume without loss of generality that K is convex. Otherwise, we can find some compact convex K' containing K s.t. $K' \subset \text{ri}(\text{dom } f)$ and we just need to prove the global Lipschitz continuity on K' .

Using local Lipschitz continuity, $\forall x \in K$, there is some open ball $B_x \subset \text{dom } f$ s.t. f is local Lipschitz on B_x . Then $\{B_x\}_{x \in K}$ is an open cover of K . Since K is compact, there exists a finite subcover $\{B_{x_n}\}$. Then letting M be the maximum Lipschitz constant on $\{B_{x_n}\}$, it follows that $|f(x) - f(y)| \leq M\|x - y\|_2, \forall x, y \in K$.

3. (1) Consider $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$, $\text{dom } f = (0, +\infty)$, $K = (0, 1]$. Since $f'(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2}$ is unbounded on K , f is not Lipschitz continuous.

(2) Consider $f(x) = x^2$, $\text{dom } f = K = \mathbb{R}$. Since $f'(x) = 2x$ is unbounded on $K = \mathbb{R}$, the function is not Lipschitz continuous on K .

(3) Consider $f(x) = -\sqrt{x}$, $\text{dom } f = [0, +\infty)$, $K = [0, 1]$. Since $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}}{1} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$ does not exist, f is not Lipschitz continuous on K .