

MATH 2060 TUTOR

Midterm Review

Q1 Define a function $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

Show that $f'(0)$ exists and $f'(x)$ does not exist for any $x \neq 0$.

Ans: Note
$$\frac{f(t) - f(0)}{t - 0} = \begin{cases} t & t \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{f(t) - f(0)}{t - 0} \right| \leq |t| \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$$

So, $f'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} = 0$ (by Squeeze Thm)

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Q2

Let f be a differentiable function on (a, b) . Show the followings:

- (i) If f is unbounded, then so is f' . Does the converse hold?
- (ii) If f' is bounded, then f^2 is uniformly continuous on (a, b) .

Ans: i) Suppose that f' is bounded on (a, b) , say $|f'| \leq M$ on (a, b)

Fix $c \in (a, b)$

By MVT, we have $\forall x \in (a, b)$,

$$f(x) - f(c) = f'(\xi)(x-c) \quad \exists \xi \text{ between } c, x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow |f(x)| &\leq |f(c)| + |f'(\xi)| |x-c| \\ &\leq |f(c)| + M(b-a) =: M', \end{aligned}$$

contradicting the assumption that f is unbounded.

The converse is NOT true.

For example, $f(x) := \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$ for $x \in (0, 1)$

is bounded by 1, but $f'(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2} \cos\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$ is unbounded

ii) By i) f' bounded $\Rightarrow f$ bounded.

Let $M_1, M_2 > 0$ s.t. $|f(x)| \leq M_1, |f'(x)| \leq M_2 \quad \forall x \in (a, b)$

Now, $\forall x, y \in (a, b)$,

$$\begin{aligned} |f^2(x) - f^2(y)| &= |f(x) + f(y)| |f(x) - f(y)| \\ &\leq 2M_1 \cdot |f(x) - f(y)| \\ &= 2M_1 \cdot |f'(\xi) \cdot (x-y)| \quad \exists \xi \text{ between } x, y \text{ by MVT} \\ &\leq 2M_1 M_2 |x-y|. \end{aligned}$$

So f^2 is Lipschitz and hence uniformly cts on (a, b) $\quad \equiv$

Q3

Let f be infinitely differentiable function. Suppose that there is a polynomial p of degree n such that for some $\delta, C > 0$,

$$|f(x) - p(x)| \leq C|x - x_0|^{n+1}, \forall x \in [x_0 - \delta, x_0 + \delta].$$

Show that p must be the n -th Taylor polynomial of f at x_0 .

Ans: Claim: if a polynomial g satisfies

$$|g(x)| = |b_0 + b_1(x-x_0) + b_2(x-x_0)^2 + \dots + b_n(x-x_0)^n| \leq C|x-x_0|^{n+1}$$

then $g \equiv 0$.

Reason: Set $x = x_0 \Rightarrow b_0 = 0$

Divide both sides by $|x-x_0|$, then let $x \rightarrow x_0$, we get $b_1 = 0$

Keep doing so, we get $b_j = 0 \quad \forall j$.

Now, by Taylor's Thm, $f(x) = P_n(x) + R_n(x)$

$$\text{where } P_n(x) = f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x-x_0) + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(x_0)}{n!}(x-x_0)^n$$

and the remainder $R_n(x)$ satisfies

$$R_n(x) = \frac{1}{(n+1)!} f^{(n+1)}(c) (x-x_0)^{n+1} \quad \text{for some } c \text{ between } x_0, x$$

$$\Rightarrow |R_n(x)| \leq \frac{1}{(n+1)!} \sup_{x \in [x_0 - \delta, x_0 + \delta]} |f^{(n+1)}(x)| |x-x_0|^{n+1}$$

$$=: C_1 |x-x_0|^{n+1}$$

\leftarrow finite since f is infinitely diff.

Let $p(x) = a_0 + a_1(x-x_0) + \dots + a_n(x-x_0)^n$ be a polynomial that satisfies the assumption.

$$\text{We have } |P_n(x) + R_n(x) - p(x)| \leq C|x-x_0|^{n+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow |P_n(x) - p(x)| - |R_n(x)| \leq C|x-x_0|^{n+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| (f(x_0) - a_0) + (f'(x_0) - a_1)(x-x_0) + \dots + \left(\frac{f^{(n)}(x_0)}{n!} - a_n \right) (x-x_0)^n \right| \leq (C_1 + C) |x-x_0|^{n+1}$$

$$\forall x \in [x_0 - \delta, x_0 + \delta]$$

$$\text{By Claim, } a_j = \frac{f^{(j)}(x_0)}{j!}, \quad j = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

Q4 a)

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b) Evaluate the following limits:

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Ans: a) Let $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$.

Then f is cts on $[1,2]$. Hence $f \in \mathcal{R}[1,2]$

Consider the partition interval $[a,b]$ with tag pt. c .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Want: } f(c)(b-a) &= \ln b - \ln a \\ \frac{1}{c} &= \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{b-a} \end{aligned}$$

Such $c \in (a,b)$ exists by MVT.

Let $P = \{[x_{i-1}, x_i]\}_{i=1}^n$ be an arbitrary partition of $[1,2]$.

By MVT, $\exists t_i \in (x_{i-1}, x_i)$ s.t.

$$\frac{1}{t_i} = (f(x))'_{x=t_i} = \frac{\ln(x_i) - \ln(x_{i-1})}{x_i - x_{i-1}}$$

Now, the tagged partition $\dot{P} = \{[x_{i-1}, x_i], t_i\}_{i=1}^n$ satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} S(f; \dot{P}) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{t_i} (x_i - x_{i-1}) = \sum_{i=1}^n (\ln x_i - \ln x_{i-1}) \\ &= \ln x_n - \ln x_0 = \ln 2 - \ln 1 \end{aligned}$$

Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Since $f \in \mathcal{R}[1,2]$, $\exists \delta_\varepsilon > 0$ s.t. if $\|Q\| < \delta_\varepsilon$,

then $|S(f; Q) - \int_1^2 f| < \varepsilon$

Thus, using the tags above, we have

$$|\ln 2 - \ln 1 - \int_1^2 f| < \varepsilon$$

Since $\varepsilon > 0$ is arbitrary, $\int_1^2 f = \ln 2 - \ln 1$ //

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$$\frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n+2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n+n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{n}{n+j} = \sum_{j=1}^n \underbrace{\frac{1}{1+j/n}} \cdot \frac{1}{n}$$

Riemann sum

Let $P_n = \left\{ \left[1 + \frac{i}{n}, 1 + \frac{i}{n}\right], 1 + \frac{i}{n} \right\}_{i=1}^n$ be a tagged partition of $[1,2]$

Then $\|P_n\| = \frac{1}{n}$

$$\text{and } S(f; P_n) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{1+i/n}$$

Let $\epsilon > 0$.

Choose $\delta_\epsilon > 0$ as in a).

Take $N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $\frac{1}{N} < \delta_\epsilon$.

Now, $\forall n \geq N$, we have $\frac{1}{n} \leq \frac{1}{N} < \delta_\epsilon$ and hence

$$|S(f; P_n) - \int_1^2 f| < \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{1+i/n} - \ln 2 \right| < \epsilon$$

Therefore
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n+2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n+n} \right) = \ln 2$$

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