Extra Credit Problems

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Problem 1. Assume $\alpha:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}$ is increasing and $G:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}$ be differentiable with continuous derivative. Prove that

$$\int_{a}^{b} G \ d\alpha = \left[G(x)\alpha(x) \right]_{a}^{b} - \int_{a}^{b} \alpha \ dG. \tag{*}$$

Proof. First, observe that since $\alpha:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}$ is increasing and x is an increasing and continuous function, we have that $\alpha\in R[a,b]$ by Theorem 6.9 (in Rudin). Since $G:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}$ is differentiable and its derivative G' is continuous, it follows that $G'\in R[a,b]$ by Theorem 6.8 (in Rudin). As a consequence, both G' and α are bounded on [a,b]. Hence, it follows that from the product of two integrable functions that $\alpha G'\in R[a,b]$, and so

$$\int_{a}^{b} \alpha(x)G'(x) \ dx = \int_{a}^{b} \alpha \ dG \text{ exists.}$$
 (1)

Also, since G is differentiable, we have that G is continuous on [a, b]. This means that, with respect to the integrator α on [a, b], we have $G \in R_{\alpha}[a, b]$. Hence, we have

$$\int_{a}^{b} G \, d\alpha \text{ exists.} \tag{2}$$

From (1), we know that for any r > 0, we can find a partition $P_1 = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ of [a, b] such that

$$U(\alpha G', P) - L(\alpha G', P) < r.$$

Using this partition and using the fact that G is differentiable on [a, b], it follows from the Mean Value Theorem that for all $1 \le i \le n$, there exists a $t_i \in (x_{i-1}, x_i)$ such that

$$G'(t_i) = \frac{G(x_i) - G(x_{i-1})}{\Delta x_i} \Longrightarrow G'(t_i) \Delta x_i = G(x_i) - G(x_{i-1}). \tag{3}$$

As a step towards showing (*), we first need to show that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha(x_i) G'(t_i) \Delta x_i + \sum_{i=1}^{n} G(x_{i-1}) \Delta \alpha_i = G(b) \alpha(b) - G(a) \alpha(a). \tag{**}$$

Indeed, note that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} [G\alpha(x_i) - G\alpha(x_{i-1})] = G(b)\alpha(b) - G(a)\alpha(a).$$

and so from (3), we obtain

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} [G(x_i)\alpha(x_i) - G(x_{i-1})\alpha(x_{i-1})]$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} [G(x_i)\alpha(x_i) - G(x_{i-1})\alpha(x_{i-1}) + G(x_{i-1})\alpha(x_i) - G(x_{i-1})\alpha(x_i)]$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} [\alpha(x_i)[G(x_i) - G(x_{i-1})] + G(x_{i-1})[\alpha(x_i) - \alpha(x_{i-1})]]$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha(x_i)[G(x_i) - G(x_{i-1})] + \sum_{i=1}^{n} G(x_{i-1})[\alpha(x_i) - \alpha(x_{i-1})]$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha(x_i)G'(t_i)\Delta x_i + \sum_{i=1}^{n} G(x_{i-1})\Delta \alpha_i$$

Hence, we see that (**) is satisfied. Next, we will show that the following equations hold:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} G(x_{i-1}) \Delta \alpha_i = \int_a^b G \ d\alpha. \tag{4}$$

and

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha(x_i)G'(t_i)\Delta x_i = \int_a^b \alpha(x)G'(x) \ dx \tag{5}$$

Note that the first equation follows from the fact that

$$L(G, \alpha, Q) \le \sum_{i=1}^{n} G(x_{i-1}) \Delta \alpha_i \le U(G, \alpha, Q)$$

for any $Q \in \Pi[a, b]$. Taking the supremum and infimum of the respective sides of the inequality above over all partitions in [a, b], we have

$$L(G, \alpha) \le \sum_{i=1}^{n} G(x_{i-1}) \Delta \alpha_i \le U(G, \alpha).$$

Since $G \in R_{\alpha}[a, b]$, we obtain

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} G(x_{i-1}) \Delta \alpha_i = \int_a^b G \ d\alpha.$$

Now, our goal is to show that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha(x_i) G'(t_i) \Delta x_i = \int_{a}^{b} \alpha(x) G'(x) \ dx.$$

It suffices to show that for any $\varepsilon > 0$

$$\left| \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha(x_i) G'(t_i) \Delta x_i - \int_{a}^{b} \alpha(x) G'(x) \ dx \right| < \varepsilon.$$

Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. Note that $\alpha \in R[a,b]$ implies that there exists a $P_2 \in \Pi[a,b]$ such that

$$U(\alpha, P_2) - L(\alpha, P_2) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2M}.$$

Choose $\hat{P} = P_1 \cup P_2$. Also, since $t_i \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]$ for all $1 \le i \le n$, we have (by Theorem 6.7)

$$\Big| \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha(t_i) G'(t_i) \Delta x_i - \int_{a}^{b} \alpha(x) G'(x) \ dx \Big| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

Now, all that is left to show is that

$$\Big| \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha(t_i) G'(t_i) \Delta x_i - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha(x_i) G'(t_i) \Big| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

Since G' is bounded on [a, b], there exists an M > 0 such that $|G'(x)| \leq M$ for all $x \in [a, b]$. Then using \hat{P} as our partition, we write

$$\left| \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha(x_i) G'(t_i) \Delta x_i - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha(t_i) G'(t_i) \Delta x_i \right| = \left| \sum_{i=1}^{n} G'(t_i) [\alpha(x_i) - \alpha(t_i)] \Delta x_i \right|$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} |G'(t_i)| |\alpha(x_i) - \alpha(t_i)| \Delta x_i$$

$$\leq M \sum_{i=1}^{n} |\alpha(x_i) - \alpha(t_i)| \Delta x_i$$

$$\leq M \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left[\sup_{I_i} \alpha - \inf_{I_i} \alpha \right] \Delta x_i$$

$$= M(U(\alpha, \hat{P}) - L(\alpha, \hat{P}))$$

$$< M \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{2M} = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

where $I_i = [x_{i-1}, x_i]$ and so we conclude that

$$\left| \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha(x_i) G'(t_i) \Delta x_i - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha(t_i) G'(t_i) \Delta x_i \right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

Using the triangle inequality, we have

$$\left| \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha(x_i) G'(t_i) \Delta x_i - \int_{a}^{b} \alpha(x) G'(x) \, dx \right| \leq \left| \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha(x_i) G'(t_i) \Delta x_i - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha(t_i) G'(t_i) \Delta_i \right|$$

$$+ \left| \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha(t_i) G'(t_i) - \int_{a}^{b} \alpha(x) G'(x) \, dx \right|$$

$$< \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon.$$

Thus, we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha(x_i) G'(t_i) \Delta x_i = \int_a^b \alpha(x) G'(x) \ dx$$

and so we can conclude that

$$\int_{a}^{b} \alpha(x)G'(x) \ dx + \int_{a}^{b} G \ d\alpha = \left[G(x)\alpha(x) \right]_{a}^{b}$$

$$\Longrightarrow \int_{a}^{b} G \ d\alpha = \left[G(x)\alpha(x) \right]_{a}^{b} - \int_{a}^{b} \alpha(x)G'(x) \ dx$$

$$\Longrightarrow \int_{a}^{b} G \ d\alpha = \left[G(x)\alpha(x) \right]_{a}^{b} - \int_{a}^{b} \alpha \ dG$$

which is our desired result.

Problem 2. Define $f(x) = \int_x^{x+1} \sin t^2 dt$.

- (2-1) Prove that $|f(x)| < \frac{1}{x}$ if x > 0.
- (2-2) Prove that

$$2xf(x) = \cos(x^2) - \cos((x+1)^2) + r(x)$$

where $|r(x)| < \frac{c}{x}$ and c is constant.

(2-3) Does
$$\int_0^\infty \sin(t^2) dt$$
 converge?

(2-1)