# Analysis - PMA 10 -

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# Overview

Differentiation Exercises

# Exercises

#### Ex 5.18

Suppose f is a real function on [a,b], n is a positive integer, and  $f^{(n-1)}$  exists for every  $t \in [a,b]$ . Let  $\alpha,\beta$ , and P be as in Taylor's theorem. Define

$$Q(t) = \frac{f(t) - f(\beta)}{t - \beta}$$

for  $t \in [a,b]$ ,  $t \neq \beta$ , differentiate  $f(t) - f(\beta) = (t-\beta)Q(t)$ , n-1 times at  $t=\alpha$ , and derive the following version of Taylor's theorem:

$$f(\beta) = P(\beta) + \frac{Q^{(n-1)}(\alpha)}{(n-1)!} (\beta - \alpha)^n.$$

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#### Ex 5.19

Suppose f is defined in (-1,1) and f'(0) exists. Suppose  $-1 < \alpha_n < \beta_n < 1$ ,  $\alpha_n \to 0$ , and  $\beta_n \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ . Define the difference quotients

$$D_n = \frac{f(\beta_n) - f(\alpha_n)}{\beta_n - \alpha_n}.$$

Prove the following statements:

- (a) If  $\alpha_n < 0 < \beta_n$ , then  $\lim D_n = f'(0)$ .
- (b) If  $0 < \alpha_n < \beta_n$  and  $\{\beta_n/(\beta_n \alpha_n)\}$  is bounded, then  $\lim D_n = f'(0)$ .
- (c) If f' is continuous in (-1,1), then  $\lim D_n = f'(0)$ .

Give an example in which f is differentiable in (-1,1) (but f' is not continuous at 0) and in which  $\alpha_n, \beta_n$  tend to 0 in such a way that  $\lim D_n$  exists but is different from f'(0).

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#### Ex 5.21

Let E be a closed subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ . We saw that there is a real continuous function on  $\mathbb{R}$  whose zero set is E. Is it possible, for each closed set E, to find such an f which is differentiable on  $\mathbb{R}$ , or one which is n times differentiable, or even one which has derivatives of all orders on  $\mathbb{R}$ ?

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#### Ex 5.22

Suppose f is a real function on  $(-\infty, \infty)$ . Call x a fixed point of f if f(x) = x.

- (a) If f is differentiable and  $f'(t) \neq 1$  for every real t, prove that f has at most one fixed point.
- (b) Show that the function f defined by  $f(t) = t + (1 + e^t)^{-1}$  has no fixed point, although 0 < f'(t) < 1 for all real t.
- (c) However, if there is a constant A < 1 such that  $|f'(t)| \le A$  for all real t, prove that a fixed point x of f exists, and  $x = \lim x_n$ , where  $x_1$  is an arbitrary real number and  $x_{n+1} = f(x_n)$  for  $n = 1, 2, 3, \cdots$ .
- (d) Show that the process described in (c) can be visualized by the zig-zag path

$$(x_1, x_2) \to (x_2, x_2) \to (x_2, x_3) \to (x_3, x_3) \to (x_3, x_4) \to \cdots$$

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The function f defined by

$$f(x) = \frac{x^3 + 1}{3}$$

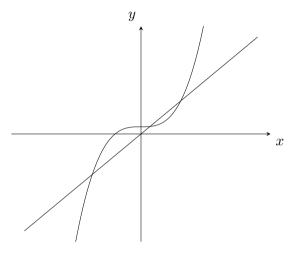
has three fixed points, say  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$ , where

$$-2 < \alpha < -1, \quad 0 < \beta < 1, \quad 1 < \gamma < 2.$$

For arbitrary chosen  $x_1$ , define  $\{x_n\}$  by setting  $x_{n+1} = f(x_n)$ .

- (a) If  $x_1 < \alpha$ , prove that  $x_n \to -\infty$  as  $n \to \infty$ .
- (b) If  $\alpha < x_1 < \gamma$ , prove that  $x_n \to \beta$  as  $n \to \infty$ .
- (c) If  $\gamma < x_1$ , prove that  $x_n \to \infty$  as  $n \to \infty$ .

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#### Ex 5.25

Suppose f is twice differentiable on [a,b], f(a)<0, f(b)>0,  $f'(x)\geq\delta>0$ , and  $0\leq f''(x)\leq M$  for all  $x\in[a,b]$ . Let  $\xi$  be the unique point in (a,b) at which  $f(\xi)=0$ .

Complete the details in the following outline of Newton's method for computing  $\xi$ .

(a) Choose  $x_1 \in (\xi, b)$ , and define  $\{x_n\}$  by

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}.$$

Interpret this geometrically, in terms of a tangent to the graph of f.

(b) Prove that  $x_{n+1} < x_n$  and that  $\lim x_n = \xi$ .

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(c) Use Taylor's theorem to show that

$$x_{n+1} - \xi = \frac{f''(t_n)}{2f'(x_n)} (x_n - \xi)^2$$

for some  $t_n \in (\xi, x_n)$ .

(d) If  $A=M/2\delta$ , deduce that

$$0 \le x_{n+1} - \xi \le \frac{1}{A} [A(x_1 - \xi)]^{2n}.$$

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(e) Show that Newton's method amounts to finding a fixed point of the function g defined by

$$g(x) = x - \frac{f(x)}{f'(x)}.$$

How does g'(x) behave for x near  $\xi$ ?

(f) Put  $f(x)=x^{1/3}$  on  $(-\infty,\infty)$  and try Newton's method. What happens?

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## Ex 5.26

Suppose f is differentiable on [a,b], f(a)=0, and there is a real number A such that  $|f'(x)| \leq A|f(x)|$  on [a,b]. Prove that f(x)=0 for all  $x \in [a,b]$ .

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#### Ex 5.27

Let  $\phi$  be a real function defined on a rectangle R in the plane, given by  $a \le x \le b$ ,  $\alpha \le y \le \beta$ . A solution of the initial-value problem

$$y' = \phi(x, y), \quad y(a) = c \quad (\alpha \le c \le \beta)$$

is, by definition, a differentiable function f on [a,b] such that  $f(a)=c, \ \alpha \leq f(x) \leq \beta$ , and

$$f'(x) = \phi(x, f(x)) \quad (a \le x \le b).$$

Prove that such a problem has at most solution if there is a constant A such that

$$|\phi(x, y_2) - \phi(x, y_1)| \le A|y_2 - y_1|$$

whenever  $(x, y_1), (x, y_2) \in R$ .

# The End

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