

Chapter 5

Differentiation

Selected Exercise homework

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Exercise 5.1. Let f be defined for all real x , and suppose that

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq (x - y)^2$$

for all real x and y . Prove that f is constant.

Proof. Let x, y be real number with $x \neq y$.

As $|x - y| > 0$,

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq (x - y)^2 \Rightarrow \left| \frac{f(x) - f(y)}{x - y} \right| \leq |x - y|$$

By squeeze theorem, $\lim_{x \rightarrow y} \frac{f(x) - f(y)}{x - y}$ exists, and that is 0.

By definition of differentiate, $f'(y) = 0$ for all $y \in \mathbb{R}$.

Hence **Theorem 5.9(c)**, $f(y)$ is constant function for $y \in \mathbb{R}$.

Exercise 5.2. Suppose $f'(x) > 0$ in (a, b) . Prove that f is strictly increasing in (a, b) , and let g be its inverse function. Prove that g is differentiable, and that

$$g'(f(x)) = \frac{1}{f'(x)} \quad (a < x < b).$$

Proof. As $f'(x) > 0$ in (a, b) , then f is monotonically increasing function, i.e. f is one-to-one corresponding.

So we can assume that g is also not only one-to-one but continuous in $(f(a), f(b))$

Let c be real number in $(f(a), f(b))$.

By definition of continuous, $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) = g(c)$.

More Specifically, there exists unique x^* , a^* in (a, b) such that $f(x^*) = x$, $g(c^*) = c$, and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} x^* = c^* \quad (1)$$

Also, $\frac{1}{f'(c^*)}$ is well-defined since $f'(c^*) > 0$, so

$$\lim_{x^* \rightarrow c^*} \frac{1}{\frac{f(x^*) - f(c^*)}{x^* - c^*}} = \frac{1}{f'(c^*)} \quad (2)$$

Let $\varepsilon > 0$.

There exists $\delta_1 > 0$ such that $\left| \frac{1}{\frac{f(x^*) - f(c^*)}{x^* - c^*}} - \frac{1}{f'(c^*)} \right| < \varepsilon$ for $|x^* - c^*| < \delta_1$

at (2).

Also, there exists $\delta_2 > 0$ such that $|x^* - c^*| < \delta_1$ for $|x - c| < \delta_2$ at (1).

Since $f(x^*) = x$ and $f(c^*) = c$, $g(x) = x^*$ and $g(c) = c^*$

By above formulas, there exists $\delta_2 > 0$ such that $\left| \frac{g(x) - g(c)}{x - c} - \frac{1}{f'(c^*)} \right| < \varepsilon$ for $|x - c| < \delta_2$.

By definition, $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{g(x) - g(c)}{x - c} = g'(c)$, so $g'(c) = g'(f(c^*)) = \frac{1}{f'(c^*)}$ for all $c^* \in (a, b)$, and proof is completed.

Exercise 5.3. Suppose g is a real function on \mathbb{R} , with bounded derivative (say $|g'| \leq M$). Fix $\varepsilon > 0$, and define $f(x) = x + \varepsilon g(x)$. Prove that f is one-to-one if ε is small enough.

(A set of admissible values of ε can be determined which depends only on M .)

Proof. Since $x, g(x)$ are differentiable on \mathbb{R} , $f(x) = x + \varepsilon g(x)$ is also differentiable on \mathbb{R} by **Theorem 5.3**.

Let $0 < \varepsilon < \frac{1}{2M}$.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 1 + \varepsilon g'(x) \geq 1 - \varepsilon |g'(x)| \\ &\geq 1 - \varepsilon M \\ &> 1 - \frac{1}{2M} \cdot M = 1 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Thus $f'(x) \geq \frac{1}{2} > 0$, $f(x)$ is monotonically increasing function, one-to-one.

Exercise 5.4. If

$$C_0 + \frac{C_1}{2} + \cdots + \frac{C_{n-1}}{n} + \frac{C_n}{n+1} = 0,$$

where C_0, \dots, C_n are real constants, prove that the equation

$$C_0 + C_1x + \cdots + C_{n-1}x^{n-1} + C_nx^n = 0$$

has at least one real root between 0 and 1.

Proof. Define function g by

$$g(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \frac{C_{i-1}}{i} x^i$$

Note that $g'(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n C_i x^i$. By assumption, $g(1) = \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \frac{C_{i-1}}{i} = 0$.

Also $g(0) = 0$, there exists $c \in (0, 1)$ such that $g'(c) = 0$ by MVT. Thus $g'(x)$ has at least one real root between 0 and 1.

Exercise 5.5. Suppose f is defined and differentiable for every $x > 0$, and $f'(x) \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow +\infty$. Put $g(x) = f(x+1) - f(x)$. Prove that $g(x) \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow +\infty$.

Proof. Let $\varepsilon > 0$.

As $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f'(x) = 0$, there exists $N \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$|f'(x)| < \varepsilon \tag{1}$$

for $x > N$.

Let $x > N$.

By MVT,

$$\exists c \in (x, x+1) : |g(x)| = |f'(c)|$$

By (1), $|f'(c)| < \varepsilon$ since $c > x > N$.

Thus there exists $N \in \mathbb{R}$ for all $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $|g(x)| < \varepsilon$ for $x > N$,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} g(x) = 0$$

Exercise 5.6. Suppose

- (a) f is continuous for $x \geq 0$
- (b) $f'(x)$ exists for $x > 0$
- (c) $f(0) = 0$,
- (d) f' is monotonically increasing

Put

$$g(x) = \frac{f(x)}{x} \quad (x > 0)$$

and prove that g is monotonically increasing.

Proof. By MVT,

$$\frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} = \frac{f(x)}{x} = f'(c) \tag{1}$$

where $c \in (0, x)$ for arbitrary $x > 0$.

By (d), f' is monotonically increasing, $f'(c) < f'(x)$ at (1).

$$\therefore \forall x > 0 : xf'(x) - f(x) > 0$$

Note that x and $f(x)$ is differentiable for $x > 0$ which differentiation of x not be 0.

Thus $g'(x) = \frac{xf'(x) - f(x)}{x^2} > 0$, g is monotonically increasing function.

Exercise 5.7. Suppose $f'(c)$, $g'(c)$ exist, $g'(c) \neq 0$, and $f(c) = g(c) = 0$. Prove that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{f'(c)}{g'(c)}$$

(This holds also for complex functions.)

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{g(x) - g(c)} && (\because f(c) = g(c) = 0) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{\frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}}{\frac{g(x) - g(c)}{x - c}} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{\frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}}{\frac{g(x) - g(c)}{x - c}} && (\because f'(c) \text{ exists, } g'(c) \neq 0) \\ &= \frac{f'(c)}{g'(c)} \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 5.8. Suppose f' is continuous on $[a, b]$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. Prove that there exists $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\left| \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} - f'(x) \right| < \varepsilon$$

whenever $0 < |t - x| < \delta$, $a \leq x \leq b$, $a \leq t \leq b$. (This could be expressed by saying that f is uniformly differentiable on $[a, b]$ if f' is continuous on $[a, b]$.) Does this hold for vector-valued functions too?

Proof. Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Since f' is continuous, there exists $\delta' > 0$ such that

$$|f'(c) - f'(x)| < \varepsilon \tag{1}$$

for $|c - x| < \delta'$, $a \leq c \leq b$, $a \leq x \leq b$.

Assume $\delta = \delta'$

By M.V.T, there exists $k \in B(x, d(t, x))$ such that

$$\frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} = f'(k)$$

Note that $|k - x| < |t - x| < \delta$.

By (1), $|f'(k) - f'(x)| < \varepsilon$, proof is completed.

Also, this holds for vector-valued function as calculate independent.

Exercise 5.9. Let f be a continuous real function on \mathbb{R} , of which it is known that $f'(x)$ exists for all $x \neq 0$ and that $f'(x) \rightarrow 3$ as $x \rightarrow 0$. Does it follow that $f'(0)$ exists?

Proof. First, we know that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f'(x) = 3$.

By definition,

$$f'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x}$$

Since f is continuous real function,

$$f'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f'(x)$$

by L'Hospital rule.

By assumption, there exists $f'(0)$, which value is 3.

Exercise 5.10. Suppose f and g are complex differentiable functions on $(0, 1)$, $f(x) \rightarrow 0$, $g(x) \rightarrow 0$, $f'(x) \rightarrow A$, $g'(x) \rightarrow B$ as $x \rightarrow 0$, where A and B are complex numbers, $B \neq 0$. Prove that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{A}{B}$$

Compare with **Example 5.18**.

Hint:

$$\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \left\{ \frac{f(x)}{x} - A \right\} \cdot \frac{x}{g(x)} + A \cdot \frac{x}{g(x)}.$$

Proof. Let $Re : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $Im : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ which each returns real part and imagine part of complex number z . Since f and g are complex differentiable function, f and g can be expressed

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= f_r(x) + i \cdot f_i(x) \\ g(x) &= g_r(x) + i \cdot g_i(x) \end{aligned}$$

where f_r , f_i , g_r , g_i are real differentiable functions. Since $f'(x) \rightarrow A$ and $g'(x) \rightarrow B$ as $x \rightarrow 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} f_r(x) &\rightarrow Re(A), f_i(x) \rightarrow Im(A) \\ g_r(x) &\rightarrow Re(B), g_i(x) \rightarrow Im(B) \end{aligned}$$

as $x \rightarrow 0$.

By **Exercise 5.9**,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{x} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_r(x) + i \cdot f_i(x)}{x} \\ &= Re(A) + i \cdot Im(A) = A \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(x)}{x} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{g_r(x) + i \cdot g_i(x)}{x} \\ &= Re(B) + i \cdot Im(B) = B \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\left\{ \frac{f(x)}{x} - A \right\} \cdot \frac{x}{g(x)} + A \cdot \frac{x}{g(x)} \right] \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{f(x)}{x} - A \right\} \cdot \frac{x}{g(x)} + A \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{g(x)} \\ &= 0 \cdot \frac{1}{B} + \frac{A}{B} = \frac{A}{B} \end{aligned}$$

Example 5.18. On the segment $(0, 1)$, define $f(x) = x$ and $g(x) = x + x^2 e^{i/x^2}$.

Since $|e^{it}| = 1$ for all real t , we see that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = 1. \quad (36)$$

Next,

$$g'(x) = 1 + \left\{ 2x - \frac{2i}{x} e^{i/x^2} \right\} \quad (0 < x < 1).$$

so that

$$|g'(x)| \geq \left| 2x - \frac{2i}{x} \right| - 1 \geq \frac{2}{x} - 1. \quad (38)$$

Hence

$$\left| \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} \right| = \frac{1}{|g'(x)|} \leq \frac{x}{2-x}$$

and so

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} = 0. \quad (40)$$

By (36) and (40), L'Hospital's rule fails in this case. Note also that $g'(x) \neq 0$ on $(0, 1)$, by (38).

Exercise 5.11. Suppose f is defined in a neighborhood of x , and suppose $f''(x)$ exists. Show that

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) + f(x-h) - 2f(x)}{h^2} = f''(x)$$

Show by an example that the limit may exist even if $f''(x)$ does not.

Hint: Use **Theorem 5.13**.

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f'(x+h) - f'(x-h)}{2h} &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f'(x+h) - f'(x-h)}{h} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{f'(x+h) - f'(0)}{h} + \frac{f'(x-h) - f'(0)}{-h} \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left\{ \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f'(x+h) - f'(0)}{h} + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f'(x-h) - f'(0)}{-h} \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \{f''(x) + f''(x)\} = f''(x) \end{aligned}$$

By L'Hospital rule,

$$\begin{aligned} &\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) + f(x-h) - 2f(x)}{h^2} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f'(x+h) - f'(x-h)}{2h} \quad (\text{By L'Hospital rule}) \\ &= f''(x) \end{aligned}$$

Suppose $f(x) = \text{sgn}(x)$ which returns sign of x to $\{-1, 0, 1\}$.

Since f is discontinuous at $x = 0$, $f''(0)$ doesn't defined, but limit exists which value 0.

Exercise 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 α, β , and P be as in Taylor's theorem (5.8). 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:

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

Proof. First, we will show that $f^{(N)}(t) = (t - \beta)Q^{(N)}(t) + nQ^{(N-1)}(t) \dots$ (1)
Let us use mathematical induction.

It is trivial when $k = 1$.

Assume that $N = k$ ($k \leq n - 2$) is true. *i.e.*,

$$f^{(k)}(t) = (t - \beta)Q^{(k)}(t) + kQ^{(k-1)}(t).$$

So, $f^{(k)}(t)$ is differentiable for every $t \in [a, b]$,

$$\begin{aligned} f^{(k+1)}(t) &= Q^{(k)}(t) + (t - \beta)Q^{(k+1)}(t) + kQ^{(k)}(t) \\ &= (t - \beta)Q^{(k+1)}(t) + (k + 1)Q^{(k)}(t) \end{aligned}$$

Thus $N = k + 1$ is also true whenever $N = k$ is true, and (1) is true for $N < n$

At (1), multiply $\frac{(\beta - \alpha)^N}{N!}$ and substitute α for t both sides. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{N!}{f^N(\alpha)}(\beta - \alpha)^N &= \frac{Q^{N-1}(\alpha)}{(N-1)!}(\beta - \alpha)^N - \frac{Q^N(\alpha)}{N!}(\beta - \alpha)^{N+1} \\ &= A_N - A_{N+1} \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

where $A_N = \frac{Q^{(N-1)}(\alpha)}{(N-1)!}(\beta - \alpha)^N$.

Summation both sides from $N = 1$ to $n - 1$,

$$\sum_{N=1}^{n-1} \frac{f^N(\alpha)}{N!}(\beta - \alpha)^N = A_1 - A_2 + A_2 - A_3 + \dots + A_{n-1} - A_n$$

$$= A_1 - A_n$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore P(\beta) - f(\alpha) &= Q(\alpha)(\beta - \alpha) - \frac{Q^{(n-1)}(\alpha)}{(n-1)!}(\beta - \alpha)^n \\ &= \frac{f(\alpha) - f(\beta)}{\alpha - \beta}(\beta - \alpha) - \frac{Q^{(n-1)}(\alpha)}{(n-1)!}(\beta - \alpha)^n \\ &= f(\beta) - f(\alpha) - \frac{Q^{(n-1)}(\alpha)}{(n-1)!}(\beta - \alpha)^n\end{aligned}$$

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

Exercise 5.19. Suppose f is defined in $(-1, 1)$ and $f'(0)$ exists. Suppose $-1 < \alpha_n < \beta_n < 1$, $\alpha_n \rightarrow 0$, and $\beta_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. 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 α_n, β_n tend to 0 in such a way that $\lim D_n$ exists but is different from $f'(0)$.

Proof. (a)

$$\begin{aligned} \forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists N_1 \text{ such that } & \left| \frac{f(\beta_n) - f(0)}{\beta_n} - f'(0) \right| < \varepsilon \text{ for } n > N_1. \\ \forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists N_2 \text{ such that } & \left| \frac{f(\alpha_n) - f(0)}{\alpha_n} - f'(0) \right| < \varepsilon \text{ for } n > N_2. \end{aligned}$$

Let $N = \max(N_1, N_2)$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{f(\beta_n) - f(\alpha_n)}{\beta_n - \alpha_n} - f'(0) \right| &= \left| \frac{f(\beta_n) - f(0)}{\beta_n - \alpha_n} + \frac{f(\alpha_n) - f(0)}{\beta_n - \alpha_n} - f'(0) \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{\beta_n - \alpha_n} |\{f(\beta_n) - f(0) - \beta_n f'(0)\} \\ &\quad - \{f(\alpha_n) - f(0) - \alpha_n f'(0)\}| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\beta_n - \alpha_n} \{|f(\beta_n) - f(0) - \beta_n f'(0)| \\ &\quad + |f(\alpha_n) - f(0) - \alpha_n f'(0)|\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\beta_n - \alpha_n} \left\{ |\beta_n| \cdot \left| \frac{f(\beta_n) - f(0)}{\beta_n} - f'(0) \right| \right. \\ &\quad \left. + |\alpha_n| \cdot \left| \frac{f(\alpha_n) - f(0)}{\alpha_n} - f'(0) \right| \right\} \\ &< \frac{1}{\beta_n - \alpha_n} \{|\beta_n| \cdot \varepsilon + |\alpha_n| \cdot \varepsilon\} = \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

(b)

Since $\left\{ \frac{\beta_n}{\beta_n - \alpha_n} \right\}$ is bounded, there exists $M > 0$ such that $\left| \frac{\beta_n}{\beta_n - \alpha_n} \right| < M$.

Let $\varepsilon > 0$.

By $\varepsilon - \delta$ argument,

$$\begin{aligned} \exists N_1 : \left| \frac{f(\beta_n) - f(0)}{\beta_n} - f'(0) \right| &< \frac{\varepsilon}{2M} \text{ for } n > N_1 \\ \exists N_2 : \left| \frac{f(\alpha_n) - f(0)}{\alpha_n} - f'(0) \right| &< \frac{\varepsilon}{2M} \text{ for } n > N_2 \end{aligned}$$

Let $N = \max(N_1, N_2)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{f(\beta_n) - f(\alpha_n)}{\beta_n - \alpha_n} - f'(0) \right| &= \left| \frac{f(\beta_n) - f(0)}{\beta_n - \alpha_n} + \frac{f(\alpha_n) - f(0)}{\beta_n - \alpha_n} - f'(0) \right| \\ &= \frac{\beta_n}{\beta_n - \alpha_n} \left| \left\{ \frac{f(\beta_n) - f(0)}{\beta_n} - f'(0) \right\} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \left\{ \frac{f(\alpha_n) - f(0)}{\beta_n} - \frac{\alpha_n f'(0)}{\beta_n} \right\} \right| \\ &\leq \frac{\beta_n}{\beta_n - \alpha_n} \left\{ \left| \frac{f(\beta_n) - f(0)}{\beta_n} - f'(0) \right| \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left| \frac{f(\alpha_n) - f(0)}{\beta_n} - \frac{\alpha_n f'(0)}{\beta_n} \right| \right\} \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

Hence $0 < \alpha_n < \beta_n$,

$$\left| \frac{f(\alpha_n) - f(0)}{\beta_n} - \frac{\alpha_n f'(0)}{\beta_n} \right| < \left| \frac{f(\alpha_n) - f(0)}{\alpha_n} - f'(0) \right|$$

At (1),

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{\beta_n}{\beta_n - \alpha_n} \left\{ \left| \frac{f(\beta_n) - f(0)}{\beta_n} - f'(0) \right| + \left| \frac{f(\alpha_n) - f(0)}{\beta_n} - \frac{\alpha_n f'(0)}{\beta_n} \right| \right\} \\ &\leq \frac{\beta_n}{\beta_n - \alpha_n} \left\{ \left| \frac{f(\beta_n) - f(0)}{\beta_n} - f'(0) \right| + \left| \frac{f(\alpha_n) - f(0)}{\alpha_n} - f'(0) \right| \right\} \\ &< M \times \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2M} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2M} \right) = \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

(c) As f' is continuous, we can use M.V.T on function f .
By M.V.T, there exists $c_n \in (\alpha_n, \beta_n)$ such that

$$\frac{f(\beta_n) - f(\alpha_n)}{\beta_n - \alpha_n} = f'(c_n)$$

Thus $\{c_n\}$ converges to 0 and $f'(0)$ exists,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(\beta_n) - f(\alpha_n)}{\beta_n - \alpha_n} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f'(c_n) \\ &= f' \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n \right) = f'(0) \end{aligned}$$

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Suppose $f(x) = x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x}$, $\alpha_n = \frac{2}{(4n+1)\pi}$, $\beta_n = \frac{1}{2n\pi}$.

As $\sin \left(2n + \frac{1}{2} \right) \pi = 1$, $\sin(2n\pi) = 0$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\sin \alpha_n = \left\{ \frac{2}{(4n+1)\pi} \right\}^2$ and $\sin \beta_n = 0$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Also $\beta_n - \alpha_n = \left(\frac{1}{2n} - \frac{2}{4n+1} \right) \frac{1}{\pi} = \frac{2}{4n(4n+1)} \frac{1}{\pi}$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(\beta_n) - f(\alpha_n)}{\beta_n - \alpha_n} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{- \left(\frac{2}{(4n+1)\pi} \right)^2}{2 \cdot \frac{1}{4n(4n+1)} \frac{1}{\pi}} \right\} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} - \frac{2 \cdot 4n}{(4n+1)\pi} = - \frac{2}{\pi} \end{aligned}$$

But, $f'(0) = 0$.

Theorem 1. Let f be continuous mapping of $[a, b]$ to \mathbb{R}^k , $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
Suppose $f^{(n-1)}$ is continuous and $f^{(n)}$ exists at $[a, b]$.
Let α, β be distinct points on $[a, b]$, and define

$$P(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{f^{(k)}(\alpha)}{k!} (t - \alpha)^k$$

Then, there exists $c \in (\alpha, \beta)$ such that

$$\|f(\beta) - P(\beta)\| \leq \left\| \frac{f^{(n)}(c)}{n!} \right\| (\beta - \alpha)^n$$

Note that $\|\cdot\|$ is p -norm.

Exercise 5.20. Formulate and prove an inequality which follows from Taylor's theorem and which remains valid for vector-valued functions.

Proof. We will prove **Theorem 1**

Let $u = f(\beta) - P(\beta)$, $g = u \cdot f$.

Then g is continuous mapping of $[a, b]$ to \mathbb{R} .

As u is constant vector, $g^{(n)} = u \cdot f^{(n)}$. By **Theorem 5.14**, there exists $c \in (\alpha, \beta)$ such that

$$g(\beta) = P'(\beta) + \frac{g^{(n)}(c)}{n!}(\beta - \alpha)^n \quad (1)$$

$$\text{where } P'(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{u \cdot f^{(k)}(\alpha)}{k!} (x - \alpha)^k.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore g(\beta) - P'(\beta) &= u \cdot f(\beta) - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{u \cdot f^{(k)}(\alpha)}{k!} (\beta - \alpha)^k \\ &= u \cdot \left\{ f(\beta) - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{f^{(k)}(\alpha)}{k!} (x - \alpha)^k \right\} \\ &= u \cdot \{f(\beta) - f(\alpha)\} = \|u\|^2 \\ \frac{g^{(n)}(c)}{n!}(\beta - \alpha)^n &= \frac{u \cdot f^{(n)}(c)}{n!}(\beta - \alpha)^n \\ &\leq \|u\| \cdot \left\| \frac{f^{(n)}(c)}{n!}(\beta - \alpha)^n \right\| \quad (\because \text{Cauchy-Schwarz inequality}) \end{aligned}$$

Using above formulas, (1) can be

$$\|u\|^2 \leq \|u\| \cdot \left\| \frac{f^{(n)}(c)}{n!} \right\| (\beta - \alpha)^n$$

Hence $\|u\| > 0$,

$$\|f(\beta) - P(\beta)\| \leq \left\| \frac{f^{(n)}(c)}{n!} \right\| (\beta - \alpha)^n$$

Lemma 1. Let $P_n(x)$ be set of polynomials of degree $3n+1$. Suppose $f(x) = e^{-1/x^2}$ for $x \neq 0$, then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} g\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) f(x) = 0$$

where $g \in P_n(x)$.

Proof. Let $x = \frac{1}{t}$. It is easy to show that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} g\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) f(x) = 0$$

if and only if

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} g(t) f\left(\frac{1}{t}\right) = \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} g(t) f\left(\frac{1}{t}\right) = 0$$

using $\varepsilon - \delta$ argument.

So, we will show that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} g(t) f\left(\frac{1}{t}\right) = 0$.

As $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \{t^{3n+2} - g(t)\} = \infty$, there exists $C > 0$ such that $|g(t)| \leq C t^{3n+2}$ for all $t > 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} |g(t)| \leq C t^{3n+2} &\Leftrightarrow -C t^{3n+2} \leq g(t) \leq C t^{3n+2} \\ &\Leftrightarrow -C t^{3n+2} e^{-t^2} \leq g(t) f\left(\frac{1}{t}\right) \leq C t^{3n+2} e^{-t^2} \\ &\Rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} -C t^{3n+2} e^{-t^2} \leq \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} g(t) f\left(\frac{1}{t}\right) \leq \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} C t^{3n+2} e^{-t^2} \end{aligned}$$

By squeeze theorem, $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} g(t) f\left(\frac{1}{t}\right) = 0$.

The case $t \rightarrow -\infty$ is analogous, and proof is completed.

Lemma 2. Let $f(x) = e^{-1/x^2}$ for all $x \neq 0$, and $f(0) = 0$.
Then $f(x)$ is infinitely differentiable for $x \in \mathbb{R}$.
Moreover,

$$f^{(n)}(x) = \begin{cases} f(x)Q_n(x) & (x > 0) \\ 0 & (x = 0) \end{cases}$$

where $P_n(x)$ a polynomial function of degree n , and $Q_n(x) = P_{3n}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$ fulfills the recursive definition

$$\begin{aligned} Q_0(x) &= 1 \\ Q_n(x) &= \frac{2}{x^3}Q_{n-1}(x) + Q'_{n-1}(x) \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Let us use mathematical induction.

It is easy to show when $n = 1$.

Assume $n = k$ is true.

Then, $f^{(k+1)}(x)$ is well-defined for $x \neq 0$.

More Specifically,

$$\begin{aligned} f^{(k+1)}(x) &= \left\{ e^{-1/x^2} \right\}' Q_k(x) + e^{-1/x^2} \{Q_k(x)\}' \\ &= \frac{2}{x^3} e^{-1/x^2} Q_k(x) + e^{-1/x^2} Q'_k(x) \\ &= e^{-1/x^2} \left\{ \frac{2}{x^3} Q_k(x) + Q'_k(x) \right\} \\ &= e^{-1/x^2} Q_{k+1}(x) \\ &= f(x)Q_{k+1}(x) \end{aligned}$$

So if we show $f^{(k+1)}(0) = 0$, then we can say that $f^{(k+1)}$ is also differentiable for $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

By definition,

$$\begin{aligned} f^{(k+1)}(0) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f^{(k)}(x) - f^{(k)}(0)}{x - 0} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f^{(k)}(x)}{x} && (\because f^{(k)}(0) = 0) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) \frac{Q_k(x)}{x} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) P_{3k+1} \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) && (\because Q_k(x) = P_{3k} \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)) \\ &= 0 && (\because \text{By Lemma 1}) \end{aligned}$$

Hence $f^{(k+1)}(0) = 0$, $f^{(k+1)}$ is also differentiable for $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

By the principle of mathematical induction, $f(x)$ is infinitely differentiable for $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Exercise 5.21. Let E be a closed subset of \mathbb{R} . There is a real continuous function f 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} ?

Proof. Let $f(x) = e^{-1/x^2}$ for all $x \neq 0$, and $f(0) = 0$.

By Lemma 2, $f(x)$ is infinitely differentiable, and $f^{(n)}(0) = 0$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Define function g by

$$g = (f \circ ReLU)(x)$$

with $ReLU(x) = \max(0, x)$.

i.e.

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-1/x^2} & (x > 0) \\ 0 & (x \leq 0) \end{cases}$$

g is also infinitely differentiable everywhere on \mathbb{R} and whose zero set is $(-\infty, 0]$.

Let us think

$$f_{(a,b)}(x) = g(x-a)g(b-x)$$

where $-\infty \leq a < b \leq \infty$.

Note that $f_{(-\infty,b)}(x) = e^{-\frac{1}{(x-b)^2}}$ for $x > b$, and similarly when $b = \infty$.

As set E is closed, complement of E is open set consisting of a union of disjoint open intervals, so $E^c = \bigcup_i (a_i, b_i)$

Let l be collection of disjoint open intervals, and define function h by

$$h(x) = \sum_{(a,b) \in l} f_{(a,b)}(x)$$

h is well-defined since at least one of the terms in the sum isn't 0 for any $x \notin E$, infinitely differentiable on \mathbb{R} , and has zero set E .

Exercise 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 $|f'(t)| \leq A$ for all real t , prove that a fixed point x of f exists, and that $x = \lim x_n$, where x_1 is an arbitrary real number and

$$x_{n+1} = f(x_n)$$

for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

- (d) Show that the process described in (c) can be visualized by the zig-zag path

$$(x_1, x_2) \rightarrow (x_2, x_2) \rightarrow (x_2, x_3) \rightarrow (x_3, x_3) \rightarrow (x_3, x_4) \rightarrow \dots$$

Proof. (a) Assume that f has two fixed point x_1, x_2 .

i.e., $f(x_1) = x_1, f(x_2) = x_2$.

By MVT, there exists $c \in (x_1, x_2)$ such that

$$x_2 - x_1 = f(x_2) - f(x_1) = (x_2 - x_1)f'(c)$$

Hence $f'(c) = 1$ for $c \in \mathbb{R}$, that is contradiction by assumption.

(b) If f has fixed point x_k , then $f(x_k) = x_k = x_k + (1 + e^{x_k})^{-1}$, i.e. $(1 + e^{x_k}) = 0$.

But $(1 + e^x)^{-1} > 0$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, that is contradiction.

(c) Let $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be sequence, where x_1 is an arbitrary real number.

First, we will show that $|x_{n+1} - x_n| \leq A^n |x_2 - x_1|$ for $n \in \mathbb{N} \dots \dots \dots (1)$

Let us use induction, and base case ($n = 1$) is trivial.

Assume that $n = k$ is true.

$$\begin{aligned}
 |x_{k+2} - x_{k+1}| &= |f(x_{k+1}) - f(x_k)| \\
 &\leq |(x_{k+1} - x_k)f'(c)| \quad (\exists c \in (x_k, x_{k+1}) \text{ by MVT}) \\
 &\leq A|(x_{k+1} - x_k)| \leq A^{k+1}|x_2 - x_1|
 \end{aligned}$$

By principle of mathematical induction, (1) is true for $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
 Anyway, It holds

$$|x_n - x_m| \leq \sum_{i=m}^{n-1} |x_{i+1} - x_i|$$

by triangular inequality for $n > m$.
 Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 |x_n - x_m| &\leq \sum_{i=m}^{n-1} |x_{i+1} - x_i| \\
 &\leq \sum_{i=m}^{n-1} A^i |x_2 - x_1| \\
 &\leq \sum_{i=m}^{\infty} A^i |x_2 - x_1| \\
 &= \frac{A^m}{1 - A} |x_2 - x_1|
 \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

is holds, and (2)'s RHS goes to 0 as $m \rightarrow \infty$, so LHS goes to 0 by squeeze theorem.

In other words, $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is cauchy sequence on real number, so $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converges to real number. Let us called this value x .

Thus, $\sum_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x_{n+1} - x_n| = 0$, and $x_{n+1} = f(x_n)$, so $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{f(x_n) - x_n\} = 0$

As $x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = f\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n\right) = f(x)$

Finally,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{f(x_n) - x_n\} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \\
 &= f(x) - x = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

, which implies x is *fixed point* of f .

(d) Suppose $f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$ (Sigmoid function).

