MTH5105 Differential and Integral Analysis 2009-2010

Exercises 1

There are two sections. Questions in Section 1 will be marked and will form your coursework mark. Questions in Section 2 are voluntary but highly recommended.

1 Exercise for Feedback/Assessment

1) Using the definition of the derivative of a function, investigate for which values of x each of the following two functions is differentiable, and find the derivatives, if they exist.

(a)
$$f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}, x \mapsto x^2 |x|,$$
 [10 marks]

(b)
$$g: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}, x \mapsto x|x-1|,$$
 [10 marks]

2 Extra Exercises

2) Prove that the function $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ given by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin(1/x^2) & x \neq 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

is differentiable at zero and find f'(0).

Find f'(x) for $x \neq 0$ assuming that $\sin' = \cos$.

Give a rough sketch of the curve f'(x) for small x and mark f'(0) clearly on your sketch.

3) Let $f: [-1,1] \to \mathbb{R}$ be continuous on [-1,1], differentiable at zero and f(0) = 0. Show that the function

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} f(x)/x & x \neq 0 \\ f'(0) & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

is continuous at zero.

Is g continuous for $x \neq 0$?

Deduce that there is some number M such that

$$f(x)/x \le M$$
 for all $x \in [-1,1] \setminus \{0\}$.

The deadline is 5.00pm (strict) on Monday 25th January. Please hand in your coursework to the red coursework box on the ground floor.