

5.2.2 (a) Use Definition 5.2.1 to produce the proper formula for the derivative of $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$.

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

(b) Combine the result in part (a) with the chain rule (Theorem 5.2.5) to supply a proof for part (iv) of Theorem 5.2.4.

Proof. Let $h(x) = \frac{1}{x}$. Then, we can use the chain rule to simplify

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{1}{g(x)}\right)' &= (h \circ g)'(x) \\ &= h'(g(x))g'(x) \\ &= -\frac{1}{(g(x))^2}g'(x) = -\frac{g'(x)}{(g(x))^2}. \end{aligned}$$

This helps us to simplify

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)'(x) &= (f(x)(h \circ g)(x))' \\ &= f'(x)h(g(x)) + f(x)(h \circ g)'(x) \\ &= \frac{f'(x)}{g(x)} - \frac{f(x)g'(x)}{(g(x))^2} \\ &= \frac{f'(x)g(x) - f(x)g'(x)}{(g(x))^2}. \end{aligned}$$

□

(c) Supply a direct proof of Theorem 5.2.4 (iv) by algebraically manipulating the difference quotient for $(\frac{f}{g})$ in a style similar to the proof of Theorem 5.2.4 (iii).

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)'(c) &= \frac{\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) - \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(c)}{x - c} = \frac{1}{x - c} \left(\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} - \frac{f(c)}{g(c)} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{x - c} \left(\frac{f(x)g(c) - g(x)f(c)}{g(x)g(c)} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{g(x)g(c)} \left(\frac{f(x)g(c) - f(c)g(c) + f(c)g(c) - g(x)f(c)}{x - c} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{g(x)g(c)} \left(g(c) \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} - f(c) \frac{g(x) - g(c)}{x - c} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Because f and g are differentiable at c , it is continuous there and thus $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = f(c)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) = g(c)$. Using this with the Algebraic Limit Theorem for functional limits, we can simplify the answer to $\frac{1}{(g(c))^2}(g(c)f'(c) - f(c)g'(c))$.

Thus, $(\frac{f}{g})'(c) = \frac{g(c)f'(c) - f(c)g'(c)}{(g(c))^2}$ as desired. □

5.2.5 Let

$$g_a(x) = \begin{cases} x^a \sin(\frac{1}{x}) & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0. \end{cases}$$

Find a particular (potentially noninteger) value for a so that

- (a) g_a is differentiable on \mathbb{R} but such that g'_a is unbounded on $[0, 1]$.
 $a = \frac{3}{2}$ satisfies both requirements.
- (b) g_a is differentiable on \mathbb{R} with g'_a continuous but not differentiable at zero.
 $a = 3$ satisfies all the requirements.
- (c) g_a is differentiable on \mathbb{R} with g'_a is differentiable on \mathbb{R} , but such that g''_a is not continuous at zero.
 $a = 4$ satisfies all the requirements.

5.2.8 Decide whether each conjecture is true or false. Provide an argument for those that are true and a counterexample for each one that is false.

- (a) If a derivative function is not constant, then the derivative must take on some irrational values.

False, take the following counterexample: $f(x) = |x|$. Then, $f'(x) = -1$ when $x < 0$ and $f'(x) = 1$ when $x > 0$ and $f'(x)$ is not defined when $x = 0$. So, we see that f' is not constant since it has two values, -1 and 1, but it does not take on any irrational values.

- (b) If f' exists on an open interval, and there is some point c where $f'(c) > 0$, then there exists a δ -neighborhood $V_\delta(c)$ around c in which $f'(x) > 0$ for all $x \in V_\delta(c)$.

False, take the following counterexample: $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin(\frac{1}{x}) + x & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}$.

Then, $f'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 \sin(\frac{1}{x}) + x - 0}{x - 0} = 1 > 0$. But, the derivative at $x \neq 0$ is $f'(x) = 2x \sin(\frac{1}{x}) - \cos(\frac{1}{x}) + 1$ which has non-positive values at $x = \frac{1}{2n\pi}$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$. We can see this by plugging in $\frac{1}{2n\pi}$ to get $f'(\frac{1}{2n\pi}) = \frac{1}{n\pi} \sin(2n\pi) - \cos(2n\pi) + 1 = 0 - 1 + 1 = 0$ and $0 > 0$ is false. We can always choose n large enough so that for any $V_\delta(0)$ with $\delta > 0$, $\frac{1}{2n\pi} \in V_\delta(0)$ and thus fails to satisfy the claim.

- (c) If f is differentiable on an interval containing zero and if $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f'(x) = L$, then it must be that $L = f'(0)$.

True, because if $L \neq f'(0)$ then this is a violation of Darboux's Theorem.

Proof. Assume for the sake of contradiction that $L \neq f'(0)$. We will assume that $f'(0) < L$ (A similar proof holds true for the other case as shown below this proof). Let $0 < \epsilon < \frac{L-f'(0)}{2}$. Since $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f'(x) = L$, we know that there exists $\delta > 0$ such that for all x with $0 < |x| < \delta$ implies $|f'(x) - L| < \epsilon$, or in more detail: $L - \epsilon < f'(x) < L + \epsilon$. Choose such a δ and choose a such that $f'(0) < a < L - \epsilon$. Then, for all x with $0 < |x| < \delta$ it is true that $f'(0) < a < f'(x)$. By Darboux's Theorem, we have $c \in (0, x)$ such that $f'(c) = a$. However, this is a contradiction since $0 < c < \delta$ but $f'(c) = a < L - \epsilon$ which means it fails to satisfy $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f'(x) = L$. Thus, $L = f'(0)$ must be true. \square

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- (d) Repeat conjecture (c) but drop the assumption that $f'(0)$ necessarily exists. If $f'(x)$ exists for all $x \neq 0$ and if $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f'(x) = L$, then $f'(0)$ exists and equals L . False, take the counterexample: $f(x) = \frac{x^2+x}{x}$. We see that $f'(x)$ exists for all $x \neq 0$. Also, we see that for $x \neq 0$, $f(x) = \frac{x^2+x}{x} = x + 1$ so $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f'(x) = 1$. However, $f'(0)$ is undefined since f is not differentiable at $x = 0$ and so it cannot be equal to 1.

- 5.3.1 Recall from Exercise 4.4.9 that a function $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is Lipschitz on A if there exists an $M > 0$ such that $\left| \frac{f(x)-f(y)}{x-y} \right| \leq M$ for all $x, y \in A$. Show that if f is differentiable on a closed interval $[a, b]$ and if f' is continuous on $[a, b]$, then f is Lipschitz on $[a, b]$.
- 5.3.5 A fixed point of a function f is a value x where $f(x) = x$. Show that if f is differentiable on an interval with $f'(x) \neq 1$, then f can have at most one fixed point.
- 5.3.8 Assume $g : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable at some point $c \in (a, b)$. If $g'(c) \neq 0$, show that there exists a δ -neighborhood $V_\delta(c) \subseteq (a, b)$ for which $g(x) \neq g(c)$ for all $x \in V_\delta(c)$. Compare this result with Exercise 5.3.7.
- 5.4.2 Fix $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Argue that the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} h(2^n x)$ converges absolutely and thus $g(x)$ is properly defined.

- 5.4.4 Show that $\frac{g(x_m)-g(0)}{x_m-0} = m+1$, and use this to prove that $g'(0)$ does not exist.
- 5.4.5 (a) Modify the previous argument to show that $g'(1)$ does not exist. Show that $g'(\frac{1}{2})$ does not exist.
- (b) Show that $g'(x)$ does not exist for any rational number of the form $x = \frac{p}{2^k}$ where $p \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$.