

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} ax^2 + bx + c & x \leq 0 \\ d|x| + c & 0 \leq x \leq g \\ hx^3 + i & x \geq g \end{cases}$$

To find the sub-differential $\partial f(x)$, we differentiate piece-wise. All the components are convex ($x^2, |x|, x^3$)

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (ax^2 + bx + c) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (ax^2) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (bx) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (c) \\ &= 2ax + b \quad \therefore \boxed{g_1 = 2ax + b} \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad d|x| + c$$

The function $y = |x|$ is not differentiable at 0.

\therefore we differentiate piece-wise for $x > 0$ and $x < 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \text{ For } x < 0, \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial x} |x| &= -1 \quad \Rightarrow -d \quad \left[\because \frac{\partial}{\partial x} d|x| = d \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} |x| \right] \\ \text{and } x > 0, \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial x} |x| &= 1 \quad \Rightarrow d \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \partial f(x) = [-d, d] \text{ at } x = 0$$

$$\therefore g_2 = \begin{cases} [-d, d] & \text{at } x = 0 \\ d & \text{at } x > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (hx^3 + i) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (hx^3) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (i)$$

$$= 3hx^2 + 0 \quad \Rightarrow \boxed{g_3 = 3hx^2}$$

The sub-differential function of $f(x)$ is given by

$$\partial f(x) = \begin{cases} 2ax + b & x \leq 0 \\ [-d, d] & x = 0 \\ d & 0 < x \leq g \\ 3hx^2 & x \geq g \end{cases}$$