

MATH 20410 (Analysis in \mathbb{R}^n II – Accelerated) Notes

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Chapter 6

The Riemann-Stieltjes Integral

6.1 Notes

1/28:

- Plan:

1. Finish up Fundamental Theorem of Calculus proof.
2. Basic consequences.
3. Rectifiable curves.

- Recall that we're given $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ continuous, $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, and $x \mapsto \int_a^x f(t) dt$.

- Goal: Show $F'(x_0) = f(x_0)$.

- WTS: Find δ such that $|x - x_0| < \delta$ implies

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{1}{x - x_0} \int_{x_0}^x f(t) dt - f(x_0) \right| &= \left| \frac{1}{x - x_0} \int_{x_0}^x f(t) dt - \frac{1}{x - x_0} \int_{x_0}^x f(x_0) dt \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{|x - x_0|} \left| \int_{x_0}^x (f(t) - f(x_0)) dt \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{|x - x_0|} \int_{x_0}^x |f(t) - f(x_0)| dt \\ &< \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

- Since f is continuous, there exists δ such that if $|x - x_0| < \delta$, then $|f(x) - f(x_0)| < \epsilon$.

- Now

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{|x - x_0|} \int_{x_0}^x |f(t) - f(x_0)| dt &< \frac{1}{|x - x_0|} \int_{x_0}^x \epsilon dt \\ &= \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

- Applications:

1. Theorem (MVT for integration): $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ continuous, then there exists $x_0 \in [a, b]$ such that

$$f(x_0) = \frac{1}{b - a} \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

- Apply MVT to $F(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt$. Then

$$F'(x_0) = f(x_0) = \frac{F(b) - F(a)}{b - a}$$

as desired.

2. Theorem (Integration by parts): Let $F, G : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable with $F' = f$, $G' = g$ and with f and g both integrable. Then

$$\int_a^b Fg = F(b)G(b) - F(a)G(a) - \int_a^b fG$$

- Just use the product rule plus the FTC to prove.
- We have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b (FG)' &= \int_a^b fG + \int_a^b Fg \\ F(b)G(b) - F(a)G(a) &= \int_a^b fG + \int_a^b Fg \\ \int_a^b Fg &= F(b)G(b) - F(a)G(a) - \int_a^b fG \end{aligned}$$

3. Theorem (u -substitution).

- Follows similarly from the chain rule and FTC.

- Integration of vector-valued functions.

- If $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$, we define $\int_a^b f$ by

$$\int_a^b f = \left(\int_a^b f_1, \dots, \int_a^b f_k \right)$$

- Alternatively, you can define $\int_a^b f$ using P , $U(f, P)$, $L(f, P)$, etc. and then prove that the integral exists iff all f_i are integrable and in this case the above definition holds.
- Rectifiable curves: Let $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ be a continuous function.
- Plan: Define the length of γ and show that we can compute it with an integral.
 - Idea: For polygonal paths, we know how to define length. So let's approximate γ by polygons and take a limit.
 - Ref: Given a partition P , then define the length of γ with respect to P as $\Lambda(\gamma, P)$. Let the length of γ be $\Lambda(\gamma) = \sup_P \Lambda(\gamma, P)$ if this limit exists in this case, we call γ **rectifiable**.
- Fractals are not rectifiable — their length diverges.
- Theorem: Suppose γ is continuously differentiable (i.e., γ is differentiable and γ' is continuous). Then γ is rectifiable and

$$\Lambda(\gamma) = \int_a^b |\gamma'(t)| dt$$

- Notice: If $P \leq P'$, then $\Lambda(\gamma, P) \leq \Lambda(\gamma, P')$. (Prove with triangle inequality.)
- WTS: For all partitions P , $\Lambda(\gamma, P) \leq \int_a^b |\gamma'(t)| dt$ and thus $\Lambda(\gamma) \leq \int_a^b |\gamma'(t)| dt$.
- We have that

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda(\gamma, P) &= \sum_{i=1}^n |\gamma(x_i) - \gamma(x_{i-1})| \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left| \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} \gamma'(t) dt \right| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} |\gamma'(t)| dt \\ &= \int_a^b |\gamma'(t)| dt \end{aligned}$$

- Catch up.
 - I should make up PSets 1-2.
 - Exams have less than Rudin-strength problems.
 - Exams are mostly true/false (and of that, mostly false, provide a counterexample).