

1003 CALCULUS TA SESSION (VERSION 3)

(i) Let function defined as follows

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^3 \cos \frac{1}{x}, & \text{if } x > 0 \\ ax + b, & \text{if } x \leq 0. \end{cases}$$

(a) Find f' for $x \neq 0$.

(b) Determine constant $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ such that f is differentiable at $x = 0$.

Solution:

(a)

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x^2 \cos \frac{1}{x} + x \sin \frac{1}{x}, & \text{if } x > 0 \\ a, & \text{if } x \leq 0. \end{cases}$$

(b) Since f is differentiable which implies f is continuous at $x = 0$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = f(0) = b$. Thus, $b = 0$. On the other hands, since f is differentiable at $x = 0$,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^3 \cos \frac{1}{x}}{x} = a.$$

Thus, $a = 0$.

(ii) (a) Show that if $f(x)$ is continuous at c , then $|f(x)|$ is also continuous at point c .

(b) Find an example which satisfied the following statement: $|f(x)|$ is continuous at c but $f(x)$ is also discontinuous at point c .

(iii) **Important concept for differentiable but not continuous derivative**

- (a) Let function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable at $x = 0$. Find f such that f' is discontinuous.
- (b) [Next class with MVT] Let function $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous on (a, b) and differentiable at $x \neq c$. Show that if $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f'(x) = L$, then f is differentiable at $x = c$ and $f'(c) = L$
- (c) [Extra] Let function $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous everywhere. Find f such that f' is not differentiable everywhere.

- (iv) (a) Show that if $f(x)$ is differentiable at c , then

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(c+h) - f(c-h)}{2h} \quad (*)$$

exists and equal to $f'(c)$.

- (b) [Next class with Taylor Theorem] Show that if $f(x)$ is differentiable at c , then

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2f(c+h) - f(c) - f(c-h)}{3h}$$

exists and equal to $f'(c)$.

- (c) Find an example which satisfied the following statement: the equation (*) holds but f is not differentiable at point c .

(v) The Legendre function is defined by

$$P_n(x) = \frac{1}{2^n n!} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (x^2 - 1)^n.$$

Prove the following equation

$$(x^2 - 1)P_n''(x) + 2xP_n'(x) - n(n+1)P_n(x) = 0.$$

Hint: Refer to your textbook p.235 additional exercise 25 and 26. The **Leibniz's product rule** as follows:

$$(uv)^{(n)} = \binom{n}{0} u^{(n)} v + \binom{n}{1} u^{(n-1)} v^{(1)} + \dots + \binom{n}{n} u v^{(n)}$$

(i) The Legendre function can be extended to more general form which is solution to Schrodinger equation. In fact, the number n is orbital quantum number.

(ii) The Legendre function has the orthogonal property, so it is useful to solve numerical problems.

Solution: Claim $y = [(x^2 - 1)^n]^{(n)}$ is solution to $(x^2 - 1)y'' + 2xy' - n(n+1)y = 0$. Let $u = (x^2 - 1)^n$, and differentiate both sides. We have $u' = n(x^2 - 1)^{n-1} 2x$ so

$$(x^2 - 1)u' = 2nxu.$$

Finally, differentiate both sides $(n+1)$ -times. This process can be done by yourselves. Hence, the claim is proven. [*incomplete*]

(vi) **This is an important concept to extend 1-dimensional differentiability to higher dimension by approximation i.e. little o .**

Let the function $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous. Then, f is differentiable if and only if the following statement follows:

there exists $m \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $f(c+h) = f(c) + mh + o(h)$ for h is small sufficient which satisfies $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{o(h)}{h} = 0$. Moreover, m is unique equal to $f'(c)$.

Solution:

\Leftarrow) Since the definition of the function o ,

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(c+h) - f(c)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(c) + mh + o(h) - f(c)}{h} = m + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{o(h)}{h} = m.$$

Thus, above limit exists which implies f is differentiable and $f'(c) = m$.

\Rightarrow) Since $f'(c)$ exists so $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(c+h) - f(c)}{h}$ exists, called m . Define a function $o : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $o(h) = f(c+h) - f(c) - mh$. Now it's sufficient to prove $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{o(h)}{h} = 0$, which do it by yourselves. [*incomplete*]

(vii) Make sure that you know how to compute the following limits

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{x} .$$

(viii) Use the definition of differentiation to derive

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin x = \cos x .$$

(ix) Use the implicit differentiation theorem to derive

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin^{-1} x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}} .$$

(x) Compute the following differentiation

$$\frac{d}{dx} \tan x .$$