

Brief solutions to Midterm 02 (63.69/112)

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1. (5.94/14) Let g be the inverse function of f , with f and g both twice differentiable (i.e. both first and second derivative exist). Suppose
- $$\begin{array}{lll} f(1) = 2, & f(2) = 3, & f(3) = 4 \\ f'(1) = 5, & f'(2) = 6, & f'(3) = 7 \\ f''(1) = 8, & f''(2) = 9, & f''(3) = 10 \end{array} .$$
- Find $g(2)$, $g'(2)$ and $g''(2)$.

Ans:

$$f(1) = 2 \implies g(2) = 1.$$

$$g(f(x)) = x \implies g'(f(x)) \cdot f'(x) = 1 \implies g'(f(x)) = \frac{1}{f'(x)} \implies g'(2) = \frac{1}{f'(1)} = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left((g'(f(x)) \cdot f'(x) = 1) \right) \implies g''(f(x)) \cdot (f'(x))^2 + g'(f(x)) \cdot f''(x) = 0$$

$$\implies g''(f(x)) = \frac{-g'(f(x)) \cdot f''(x)}{(f'(x))^2} = \frac{-f''(x)}{(f'(x))^3} \implies g''(2) = \frac{-f''(1)}{(f'(1))^3} = \frac{-8}{125}$$

2. (11.19/14) Evaluate the derivative of $(\sin^{-1} x)^x + x^{\tan x}$, where $0 < x < 1$.

Ans:

$$f(x)^{g(x)} = (e^{\ln f(x)})^{g(x)} = e^{g(x) \ln f(x)}$$

$$\implies \frac{d}{dx} f(x)^{g(x)} = \frac{d}{dx} (g(x) \ln f(x)) e^{g(x) \ln f(x)} = \left(g'(x) \ln f(x) + \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} g(x) \right) f(x)^{g(x)}$$

$$\text{Answer} = \left(\ln \sin^{-1} x + \frac{x}{\sqrt{1-x^2} \sin^{-1} x} \right) (\sin^{-1} x)^x + \left((\sec^2 x) \ln x + \frac{\tan x}{x} \right) x^{\tan x}$$

3. (10.25/14) Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{\frac{1}{x^2}}, & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$. Is f differentiable at $x = 0$? Is f twice differentiable at $x = 0$?

Ans:

Yes. Yes.

$$f'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{e^{x^{-2}}}}{x} \quad (\text{apply L'Hôpital's Rule for } \frac{\pm\infty}{\infty} \text{ once}) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-x^{-2}}{-2x^{-3}e^{x^{-2}}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{2e^{x^{-2}}} = 0.$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{2}{x^3} e^{\frac{1}{x^2}} \text{ for } x \neq 0.$$

$$f''(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f'(x) - f'(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{2}{x^4}}{e^{\frac{1}{x^2}}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x^{-4}}{e^{x^{-2}}} \text{ (apply L'Hôpital's Rule for } \frac{\pm\infty}{\infty} \text{ twice)} =$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-8x^{-5}}{-2x^{-3}e^{x^{-2}}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{4x^{-2}}{e^{x^{-2}}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-8x^{-3}}{-2x^{-3}e^{x^{-2}}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{4}{e^{x^{-2}}} = 0$$

4. (9.84/14) Let $f(x)$ be defined for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and $L(x) = m(x - a) + f(a)$ for some constants m and a .

True or false?

If $f(x) = L(x) + \varepsilon \cdot (x - a)$ with $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \varepsilon = 0$, then f is differentiable at a .

Ans:

True.

$$0 = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \varepsilon = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - L(x)}{x - a} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a) - m(x - a)}{x - a} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} - m$$

$$\implies \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} = m \implies f'(a) = m$$

5. (9.65/11) Find the limits of the following expressions:

$$(a) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (1 - 2x)^{\frac{1}{x}} \quad (b) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x}}{\tan x}$$

(a) **Ans:**

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (e^{\ln(1-2x)})^{\frac{1}{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} e^{\frac{\ln(1-2x)}{x}} = e^{\left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln(1-2x)}{x} \right)} = e^{\left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\frac{-2}{1-2x}}{1} \right)} = e^{-2}$$

(b) **Ans:**

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x}}{\tan x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{\sin x} (\cos x) (x \sin \frac{1}{x}) = \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{\sin x} \right) \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \cos x \right) \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \sin \frac{1}{x} \right) = 0$$

6. (4.12/14) Let $y(x)$ be the solution of $y'(x) = e^{-x^2} + 1$, $y(0) = -1$. Show that $y(x) = 0$ has exactly one solution.

Ans:

First, we show that $y(2) > 0$. Otherwise, if $y(2) \leq 0$, then by Mean Value Theorem, there exists a $c \in (0, 2)$ such that $y'(c) = \frac{y(2) - y(0)}{2 - 0} \leq \frac{0 - (-1)}{2 - 0} = \frac{1}{2}$, a contradiction since $y'(x) = e^{-x^2} + 1 > 1$.

Secondly, since $y(0) < 0$, $y(2) > 0$, by Intermediate Value Theorem, there exists a $c_1 \in (0, 2)$ such that $y(c_1) = 0$.

Finally, we show that $y(x) = 0$ has only one solution. Suppose not, we will have $c_1 \neq c_2$ such that $y(c_1) = y(c_2) = 0$. From Rolle's Theorem, there exists an $\alpha \in (c_1, c_2)$ such that $y'(\alpha) = 0$, a contradiction since $y'(x) = e^{-x^2} + 1 > 1$.

7. (6.53/14) Evaluate

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=n+1}^{2n} \frac{\ln k - \ln n}{k}$$

Ans:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=n+1}^{2n} \frac{\ln \frac{k}{n}}{\frac{k}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=n+1}^{2n} \frac{\ln \frac{k}{n}}{\frac{k}{n}} = \int_1^2 \frac{\ln x}{x} dx \\ &= \int_1^2 \ln x \, d \ln |x| = \int_1^2 \ln x \, d \ln x = \left. \frac{(\ln x)^2}{2} \right|_1^2 = \frac{(\ln 2)^2}{2} \end{aligned}$$

8. (6.16/14) Suppose $f(x)$ satisfies $\int_0^{x^3} 2^{-t} f(t) dt = \cos x + C$ for some constant C and all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Find C and $f(2)$.

Ans:

Evaluate at $x = 0$ on both sides:

$$0 = \int_0^0 2^{-t} f(t) dt = \cos 0 + C \implies C = -1.$$

Take the derivative on both sides:

$$\implies \left(2^{-x^3} f(x^3) \right) \cdot 3x^2 = -\sin x$$

Evaluate at $x = 2^{\frac{1}{3}}$ on both sides:

$$\implies \left(2^{-2} f(2) \right) \cdot 3 \cdot 2^{\frac{2}{3}} = -\sin(2^{\frac{1}{3}}) \implies f(2) = -\frac{4 \sin(2^{\frac{1}{3}})}{3 \cdot 2^{\frac{2}{3}}}$$