

MATH1010 Assignment 2
Suggested Solution

1. (a)

$$\begin{aligned} f'(c) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{\frac{x^2}{x+1} - \frac{c^2}{c+1}}{x - c} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{xc + x + c}{(x+1)(c+1)} \\ &= \frac{c(c+2)}{(c+1)^2} \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} g'(c) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{g(x) - g(c)}{x - c} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{x^{\frac{2}{3}} - c^{\frac{2}{3}}}{x - c} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{(x^{\frac{1}{3}} - c^{\frac{1}{3}})(x^{\frac{1}{3}} + c^{\frac{1}{3}})}{(x^{\frac{1}{3}} - c^{\frac{1}{3}})(x^{\frac{2}{3}} + x^{\frac{1}{3}}c^{\frac{1}{3}} + c^{\frac{2}{3}})} \\ &= \frac{2}{3}c^{-\frac{1}{3}} \end{aligned}$$

2. (a) Since e^x , \sqrt{x} , $|x|$ are continuous on $[0, +\infty)$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^{\sqrt{|\sin x|}} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sqrt{|\sin x|} \\ &= e^{\sqrt{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} |\sin x|}} \\ &= e^{\sqrt{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin x}} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Since $\ln(x), |x|$ is continuous on $(0, +\infty)$

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \ln(1 + |\cos x|) &= \ln \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} (1 + |\cos x|) \\ &= \ln(1 + |\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \cos x|) \\ &= \ln 2\end{aligned}$$

3. $f'(x) = -\sin x + x$

By Mean Value Theorem, for $x \geq 0$, we have

$$\sin x - \sin 0 = \sin'(c)(x - 0) \quad \text{for some } c \in (0, x)$$

Hence $\sin x \leq x$ for $x \geq 0$

Thus $f'(x) = -\sin x + x \geq 0$ for $x \geq 0$ and $f(x)$ is an increasing function on $[0, +\infty)$

4. If $f(2) = 2, f'(2) = 3, g(2) = 4, g'(2) = 5,$

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}\left. \frac{d}{dx} (f(x)g(x)) \right|_{x=2} &= f(2)g'(2) + f'(2)g(2) \\ &= 22\end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}\left. \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right) \right|_{x=2} &= \frac{g(2)f'(2) - f(2)g'(2)}{(g(2))^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{8}\end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx} \left(g(f(x)) \right) \Big|_{x=2} &= g'(f(2)) \cdot f'(2) \\ &= 15\end{aligned}$$

5. (a) Since $f(x)$ is continuous function on \mathbb{R}

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = f(1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x)$$

$$1 + A = 1 \text{ and } A = 0$$

(b)

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \geq 1 \\ x^2 - x + 1 & \text{if } x < 1 \end{cases}$$

$f(x)$ is differentiable on $x < 1$ as $f(x) = x^2 - x + 1$ for $x < 1$

$f(x)$ is differentiable on $x > 1$ as $f(x) = x$ for $x > 1$

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{f(x) - f(1)}{x - 1} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{x^2 - x + 1 - 1}{x - 1} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{x^2 - x}{x - 1} \\ &= 1\end{aligned}\qquad \begin{aligned}\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{f(x) - f(1)}{x - 1} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{x - 1}{x - 1} \\ &= 1\end{aligned}$$

6. (a) $f(x)$ is continuous for $x > 0$ and $x < 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) &= 0 \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) &= \lim_{y \rightarrow +\infty} e^{-y} \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

$f(x)$ is continuous at $x = 0$ and hence is continuous on \mathbb{R}

(b) i.

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}}}{x} \\ &= \lim_{y \rightarrow +\infty} \sqrt{y} e^{-y} \\ &= 0 \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $f(x)$ is differentiable at 0

ii.

$$f'(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}}}{x^3} & x > 0 \\ 0 & x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f'(x) - f'(0)}{x - 0} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f'(x) - f'(0)}{x - 0} \\ &= \lim_{y \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{2e^{-y}}{\frac{1}{y}} \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

$f'(x)$ is differentiable at 0.

7. (a) Suppose $n = 0$,

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \cos^2 \frac{1}{x} & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}$$

We claim $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) \neq 0$:

Let $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2}$, for any $\delta > 0$, there exist $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$0 < \frac{1}{2k_0\pi} < \delta \quad \text{and} \quad f\left(\frac{1}{2k_0\pi}\right) = 1 > \frac{1}{2}$$

$f(x)$ is not continuous at $x = 0$

(b) i. Suppose $n = 1$,

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x \cos^2 \frac{1}{x} & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$-1 \leq \cos^2 \frac{1}{x} \leq 1$$

$$-|x| \leq x \cos^2 \frac{1}{x} \leq |x| \quad \text{for } x \neq 0$$

By Sandwich Theorem, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \cos^2 \frac{1}{x} = 0$

ii.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x \cos^2 \frac{1}{x}}{x} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \cos^2 \frac{1}{x} \quad \text{does not exist} \end{aligned}$$

$f(x)$ is not differentiable on \mathbb{R}

iii. $f'(x) = \cos^2 \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x} \sin \frac{2}{x}$ for $x \neq 0$

iv. Since $f'(0)$ is not defined, f' is not continuous on \mathbb{R}

(c) Suppose $n = 2$,

i. Since $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 \cos^2 \frac{1}{x} = 0$, f is continuous at $x = 0$

ii. Since $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 \cos^2 \frac{1}{x}}{x} = 0$, f is differentiable on \mathbb{R}

iii.

$$f'(x) = \begin{cases} 2x \cos^2 \frac{1}{x} + 2 \cos \frac{1}{x} \sin \frac{1}{x} & x \neq 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

iv. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 2x \cos^2 \frac{1}{x} + 2 \cos \frac{1}{x} \sin \frac{1}{x}$ does not exist

So f' is not continuous on \mathbb{R}

8. (a) True

Assume $f(x) + g(x)$ is continuous at $x = c$

Since $f(x)$ is continuous at $x = c$

Then $g(x) = (f(x) + g(x)) - f(x)$ is continuous at $x = c$

(Contradiction arise)

Therefore, $f(x) + g(x)$ is not continuous at $x = c$.

(b) False

Consider $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \geq 0 \\ -1 & x < 0 \end{cases}$, $g(x) = \begin{cases} -1 & x \geq 0 \\ 1 & x < 0 \end{cases}$

Then $f(x) + g(x) = 0$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}$ (which is continuous)

(c) False

Consider $f(x) = |x|$ and $g(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x > 0 \\ -1 & \text{if } x \leq 0 \end{cases}$

Then $f(x)$ is continuous at $x = 0$, $g(x)$ is not continuous at $x = 0$,

but $f(x)g(x) = x$ is continuous at $x = 0$

(d) False

Let $f(x) = 0$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$

$g(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x = 0 \\ 0 & x \neq 0 \end{cases}$

g is not continuous at $x = f(1)$

f is continuous at $x = 1$

But $g \circ f$ is continuous at $x = 1$

9. (a) Let $f(x) = \sqrt{|x|}$ is continuous functions on \mathbb{R}

By the Theorem, $f(g(x)) = \sqrt{|g(x)|}$ is also a continuous function on \mathbb{R}

(b) Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$ is a continuous function on \mathbb{R} . By the
Theorem, $h(x) = f(g(x))$ is a continuous function on \mathbb{R} .