

MATH1010 University Mathematics 2015-2016

Assignment 3

Due: 26 Oct 2013 (Monday)

Answer all questions.

1. Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function which is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and differentiable on  $(a, b)$ . Suppose  $f'(x) = 0$  for any  $x \in (a, b)$ . Prove that  $f$  is a constant function.

2. Using the mean value theorem to prove for  $0 < y < x$  and  $p > 1$ ,

$$py^{p-1}(x-y) < x^p - y^p < px^{p-1}(x-y).$$

3. Using the mean value theorem to prove that for  $0 \leq x_1 < x_2 < x_3 \leq \pi$ ,

$$\frac{\sin x_2 - \sin x_1}{x_2 - x_1} > \frac{\sin x_3 - \sin x_2}{x_3 - x_2}.$$

4. Using the mean value theorem to prove that for  $x > 0$ ,

$$\frac{x}{1+x} < \ln(1+x) < x.$$

Hence, deduce that for  $x > 0$ ,

$$\frac{1}{1+x} < \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right) < \frac{1}{x}.$$

5. By applying the mean value theorem, prove that the equation

$$a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cdots + a_nx^n = \frac{a_1}{2} + \frac{a_2}{3} + \cdots + \frac{a_n}{n+1}$$

has a root between 0 and 1.

6. Let  $f(x)$  be a continuous function defined on  $[0, \infty)$  such that

- $f(0) = 0$ ,
- $f'(x)$  exists and is monotonic increasing on  $(0, \infty)$ .

Prove that

$$f(a+b) \geq f(a) + f(b)$$

for  $0 \leq a \leq b \leq a+b$ .

7. Let  $A$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function. Suppose that there exists  $L > 0$  such that

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq L|x - y|$$

for any  $x, y \in A$ , then  $f$  is said to be satisfying the **Lipschitz condition** on  $A$ .

Prove that  $\sin x$  satisfies the Lipschitz condition on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**End**