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Tutorial Notes IV

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Question

(Q1) Define $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x} & , x \neq 0 \\ 0 & , x = 0 \end{cases}$.

Show f is differentiable at $x = 0$ and hence find $f'(x)$ for any $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Is f' continuous at $x = 0$?

(Q2) Define $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{x} & , x \neq 0 \\ 0 & , x = 0 \end{cases}$.

Show f is differentiable at $x = 0$ and hence find $f'(x)$ for any $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Is f' continuous at $x = 0$?

(Q3) Define $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $f(x) = \begin{cases} \sin x & , x < \pi \\ ax + b & , x \geq \pi \end{cases}$.

Find $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ such that f is differentiable on \mathbb{R} .

(Q4) For all $m = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$, show the Chebyshev Polynomial $T_m : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$T_m(x) = \frac{1}{2^{m-1}} \cos \left(m \cos^{-1} x \right)$$

satisfy $(1 - x^2) T_m''(x) - x T_m'(x) + m^2 T_m(x) = 0$.

(Q5) Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ if

(a) $x e^{xy} = 1$,

(b) $\cos \left(\frac{y}{x} \right) = \ln(x + y)$,

(c) $y = x^{\ln x}$.

(Q6) Prove that for any $x > 0$, we have

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

And hence, show for any $x > 0$, we have

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

(Q7) Let $f(x)$ be a function defined on $[0, \infty)$ such that

(i) $f(0) = 0$,

(ii) f is continuous on $[0, \infty)$

(iii) f is differentiable on $(0, \infty)$ and f' is monotonic increasing on $(0, \infty)$.

Prove that

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

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

Answer

(A1) By Sandwich Theorem in the special tutorial notes, we have $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h \sin \frac{1}{h} = 0$. Then

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(0+h) - f(0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h^2 \sin \frac{1}{h} - 0}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h \sin \frac{1}{h} = 0.$$

Hence, f differentiable at 0 with $f'(0) = 0$. Using product rule, we have

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

Since $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 2x \sin \frac{1}{x}$ exists ($= 0$) and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \cos \frac{1}{x}$ does NOT exist (Why?),

we must have $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f'(x)$ does NOT exist,

otherwise, we have $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \cos \frac{1}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(2x \sin \frac{1}{x} - f'(x) \right)$ exists in \mathbb{R} . (Which is a contradiction)

Therefore, f' is NOT continuous at 0.

(A2) Note that $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{x} \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$ for any $x \neq 0$.

By Sandwich Theorem (try to write the proof down!), we have $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{h} = 0$. Then

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(0+h) - f(0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h^2 \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{h} - 0}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{h} = 0.$$

Hence, f differentiable at 0 with $f'(0) = 0$.

Note if $y = \tan^{-1} x$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \tan y &= x \\ (\sec^2 y) \frac{dy}{dx} &= 1 \\ \frac{d}{dx} \tan^{-1} x &= \frac{dy}{dx} = \cos^2 y = \cos^2 (\tan^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that the last step is obtained by drawing a triangle. Using product rule, we have

$$f'(x) = \begin{cases} 2x \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{x} + \frac{x^2}{1+x^2} & , x \neq 0 \\ 0 & , x = 0 \end{cases}.$$

Note $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f'(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(2x \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{x} + \frac{x^2}{1+x^2} \right) = 0 + 0 = 0 = f'(0)$,

so f' continuous at 0.

(A3) When $x < \pi$, $f(x) = \sin x$ which is a differentiable function.

When $x > \pi$, $f(x) = ax + b$ which is a differentiable function.

It suffice to find $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ such that f is differentiable at $x = \pi$.

Suppose such differentiable f exists, f must be continuous at $x = 0$, that is

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi^-} f(x) &= f(\pi) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi^+} f(x) \\ 0 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi^-} \sin x = a\pi + b = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi^+} (ax + b) = a\pi + b. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we have $b = -a\pi$, that is $f(\pi) = a\pi + b = 0$.

Since f is differentiable at $x = 0$, $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\pi + h) - f(\pi)}{h}$ exists, that is

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(\pi + h) - f(\pi)}{h} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(\pi + h) - f(\pi)}{h} \\ \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{\sin h}{h} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{\sin(\pi + h)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{a(\pi + h) + b}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{ah}{h}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $a = 1$ and $b = -\pi$.

(A4) Note if $y = \cos^{-1} x$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \cos y &= x \\ -\sin y \frac{dy}{dx} &= 1 \\ \frac{d}{dx} \cos^{-1} x &= \frac{dy}{dx} = -\csc y = -\csc(\cos^{-1} x) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \end{aligned}$$

Note that the last step is obtained by drawing a triangle. Then

$$\begin{aligned} T_m(x) &= \frac{1}{2^{m-1}} \cos(m \cos^{-1} x), \\ T'_m(x) &= \frac{-1}{2^{m-1}} \sin(m \cos^{-1} x) \left(\frac{-m}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \right) \\ &= \frac{m}{2^{m-1}} \frac{\sin(m \cos^{-1} x)}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}, \\ T''_m(x) &= \frac{m}{2^{m-1}} \frac{\sqrt{1-x^2} \cos(m \cos^{-1} x) \left(\frac{-m}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \right) - \frac{-2x}{2\sqrt{1-x^2}} \sin(m \cos^{-1} x)}{1-x^2} \\ &= \frac{m}{2^{m-1}} \frac{x \frac{\sin(m \cos^{-1} x)}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}}{1-x^2} - \frac{1}{2^{m-1}} \frac{m^2 \cos(m \cos^{-1} x)}{1-x^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $(1-x^2)T''_m(x) - xT'_m(x) + m^2T_m(x) = 0$.

(A5) Using product rule and chain rule,

(a) we have

$$\begin{aligned} xe^{xy} &= 1 \\ x \frac{d}{dx} e^{xy} + e^{xy} \frac{d}{dx} x &= \frac{d}{dx} 1 \\ xe^{xy} \left(x \frac{d}{dx} y + y \frac{d}{dx} x \right) + e^{xy} &= 0 \\ xe^{xy} \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) + e^{xy} &= 0 \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= -\frac{1+xy}{x^2}. \end{aligned}$$

(b) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\cos\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) &= \ln(x+y) \\
-\sin\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) &= \frac{1}{x+y} \frac{d}{dx}(x+y) \\
-\sin\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \frac{x \frac{d}{dx}y - y \frac{d}{dx}x}{x^2} &= \frac{1}{x+y} \left(1 + \frac{dy}{dx}\right) \\
-\sin\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \frac{x \frac{dy}{dx} - y}{x^2} &= \frac{1}{x+y} \left(1 + \frac{dy}{dx}\right) \\
y(x+y) \sin\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) - x(x+y) \sin\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \frac{dy}{dx} &= x^2 + x^2 \frac{dy}{dx} \\
\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{y(x+y) \sin\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) - x^2}{x(x+y) \sin\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) + x^2}.
\end{aligned}$$

(c) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
y &= x^{\ln x} \\
\ln y &= \ln(x^{\ln x}) = (\ln x)^2 \\
\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} &= 2(\ln x) \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \\
\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{2y \ln x}{x} = 2x^{(\ln x)-1} \ln x
\end{aligned}$$

(A6) Define $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $f(x) = \ln x$ for any $x > 0$.

Fixed any $x > 0$, note f is continuous on $[1, x+1]$ and differentiable on $(1, x+1)$.

By (Lagrange's) Mean Value Theorem, there exists some ξ with $1 < \xi < x+1$, such that

$$\frac{\ln(x+1)}{x} = \frac{f(x+1) - f(1)}{x+1-1} = f'(\xi) = \frac{1}{\xi}.$$

Note $0 < 1 < \xi < x+1$, so

$$\begin{aligned}
1 &> \frac{1}{\xi} > \frac{1}{x+1} \\
1 &> \frac{\ln(x+1)}{x} > \frac{1}{x+1} \\
x &> \ln(x+1) > \frac{x}{x+1} \quad \text{Since } x > 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\frac{x}{1+x} < \ln(1+x) < x$ for any $x > 0$.

Fixed any $x > 0$, note $y = \frac{1}{x} > 0$, hence

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{y}{1+y} &< \ln(1+y) < y \\
\text{that is } \frac{1}{1+x} &= \frac{\frac{1}{x}}{1+\frac{1}{x}} < \ln\left(1+\frac{1}{x}\right) < \frac{1}{x}.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\frac{1}{1+x} < \ln\left(1+\frac{1}{x}\right) < \frac{1}{x}$ for any $x > 0$.

(A7) Note that the case that $a = 0$ is trivial since $f(0) = 0$.

Now fixed any a, b with $0 < a \leq b < a + b$,

since f is continuous on $[0, a]$ and f is differentiable on $(0, a)$,

by (Lagrange's) Mean Value Theorem, there exists some η with $0 < \eta < a$, such that

$$(*) \quad \frac{f(a)}{a} = \frac{f(a) - f(0)}{a - 0} = f'(\eta) \underset{\substack{f' \text{ is} \\ \text{increasing}}}{\leq} f'(a)$$

Since f is continuous on $[b, a + b]$ and f is differentiable on $(b, a + b)$,

by (Lagrange's) Mean Value Theorem, there exists some ξ with $b < \xi < a + b$, such that

$$\frac{f(a + b) - f(b)}{a} = \frac{f(a + b) - f(b)}{a + b - b} = f'(\xi) \underset{\substack{f' \text{ is} \\ \text{increasing}}}{\geq} f'(a) \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} \frac{f(a)}{a}.$$

Since $a > 0$, we have $f(a + b) \geq f(a) + f(b)$.

Therefore, $f(a + b) \geq f(a) + f(b)$ for any $0 \leq a \leq b \leq a + b$.