

Week # 14 Solutions

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20 First, prove that, under the given conditions.

$$\int_a^b \sqrt{(f_1'(x))^2 + \dots + (f_n'(x))^2} dx$$

exists.

Since each of $f_1', \dots, f_n'$ are continuous and square and square-root are continuous the integrand is continuous. Therefore, the integral exists.

Now, show that the integral is equal to

$$\text{l.u.b.} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^N d(f(x_{i-1}), f(x_i)) : x_0, \dots, x_N \text{ a partition of } [a, b] \right\}.$$

Pick $\epsilon > 0$.

Since the integral exists, there exists a number $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\left| \int_a^b \sqrt{(f_1'(x))^2 + \dots + (f_n'(x))^2} dx - \sum_{i=1}^N \sqrt{(f_1'(x_i^*))^2 + \dots + (f_n'(x_i^*))^2} (x_i - x_{i-1}) \right| < \epsilon$$

$x_{i-1} \leq x_i^* \leq x_i$

whenever $a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_N = b$ is a partition with width less than δ .

Manipulation of the Riemann Sum brings the quantity $(x_i - x_{i-1})$ inside.

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^n (f_j'(x_i^*) (x_i - x_{i-1}))^2}$$

The mean value theorem provides for the existence of numbers

$$x_{i,j}^* \quad i=1, 2, \dots, N \quad j=1, 2, \dots, n \quad x_{i-1} \leq x_{i,j}^* \leq x_i$$

such that

$$f_j'(x_{i,j}^*) (x_i - x_{i-1}) = f_j(x_i) - f_j(x_{i-1}) \quad \forall \quad i=1, \dots, N, j=1, \dots, n.$$

Pick $\eta > 0$.

Since $f_1', \dots, f_n'$ are continuous, there exist $\delta_1, \delta_2, \dots, \delta_n$ such that

$$|f_j'(x_{i,j}^*) - f_j'(x_i^*)| < \eta \quad \text{when} \quad |x_{i,j}^* - x_i^*| < \delta_j$$

Fix $\delta < \min\{1, \delta_1, \delta_2, \dots, \delta_n\}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| f'_j(x_{ij}^*)(x_i - x_{i-1}) - f'_j(x_i^*)(x_i - x_{i-1}) \right| \\
 &= \left| f'_j(x_{ij}^*) - f'_j(x_i^*) \right| |x_i - x_{i-1}| \\
 &< \eta \delta
 \end{aligned}$$

$$< \eta \quad (\text{since } \delta < 1)$$

This means that

$$\left| f'_j(x_i^*)(x_i - x_{i-1}) - (f_j(x_i) - f_j(x_{i-1})) \right| < \eta$$

when the partition has width less than δ . Since η is arbitrary we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^n (f'_j(x_i^*))^2} (x_i - x_{i-1}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^n (f_j(x_i) - f_j(x_{i-1}))^2}$$

as the width of the partition goes to zero.

$$\sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^n (f_j(x_i) - f_j(x_{i-1}))^2} = d(f(x_i), f(x_{i-1})) \quad \text{so}$$

$$\int_a^b \sqrt{(f'_1(x))^2 + \dots + (f'_n(x))^2} dx = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^N d(f(x_i), f(x_{i-1}))$$

The triangle inequality gives that $\sum_{i=1}^N d(f(x_i), f(x_{i-1}))$ increases as the width of the partition decreases, so the limit is the l.u.b.

$$\int_a^b \sqrt{(f'_1(x))^2 + \dots + (f'_n(x))^2} dx = \text{l.u.b.} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^N d(f(x_i), f(x_{i-1})) : \{x_i\} \text{ a partition} \right\}$$

23 $f' = f \quad f(0) = 1$

let $g(x) = e^{-x} f(x)$

$f(x) = e^x g(x)$

$e^x g(x) = f(x) = f'(x) = e^x g(x) + e^x g'(x)$

This implies

$e^x g'(x) = 0$

$g'(x) = 0$

$g(x) = A \quad (\text{constant})$

so $f(x) = A e^x$

$f(0) = 1 \Rightarrow A = 1$

so $f(x) = e^x$

24 a) $\log(1+x) \leq x \quad x > -1, \quad \log(1+x) = x \text{ iff } x=0$
equivalent to

$x - \log(1+x) \geq 0 \quad x > -1$

Find the minimum of $x - \log(1+x)$, $x > -1$

The minimum does not occur at the endpoints ($x = -1, x = +\infty$) because the value becomes arbitrarily large there. So, differentiate

$1 - \frac{1}{1+x} = 0 \Rightarrow 1+x=1 \Rightarrow x=0.$

So $x - \log(1+x) \geq 0 - \log(1+0) = 0$

b) $e^x \geq 1+x \quad \forall x \quad e^x = 1+x \text{ iff } x=0$

When $x > -1$, this holds due to part (a).

When $x \leq -1$, $1+x \leq 0$ and $e^x > 0$ so $e^x > 1+x$, $x \leq -1$

25 a) Prove $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log x}{x^\alpha} = 0$ if $\alpha > 0$

Look at $x > 1$

$$\frac{1}{x} < \frac{1}{x^{1+\beta}}, \beta > 0$$

$$\log x = \int_1^x \frac{1}{t} dt < \int_1^x t^{-1+\beta} dt = \frac{1}{\beta} (x^\beta - 1)$$

$$\text{Let } \beta = \frac{\alpha}{2}$$

$$\frac{\log x}{x^\alpha} \leq \frac{1}{x^\alpha} \cdot \frac{2}{\alpha} (x^{\frac{\alpha}{2}} - 1) = \frac{2}{\alpha} (x^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}} - x^{-\alpha}) \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

$$0 \leq \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log x}{x^\alpha} \leq 0 \quad \text{This also shows } \frac{\log x}{x} \rightarrow 0, \text{ let } \alpha = 1.$$

b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^\alpha \log x = 0$ if $\alpha > 0$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^\alpha \log x = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-\log x}{x^\alpha} = - \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log x}{x^\alpha} = 0$$

c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^n}{e^x} = 0 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{R}$

We know $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log x}{x} = 0$

$$\text{let } y = \log x \quad (x = e^y)$$

$$= \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \frac{y}{e^{xy}} = 0$$

$$\text{let } \alpha = \frac{1}{n}$$

$$= \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \frac{y}{e^{\frac{1}{n}y}} = 0$$

$$\text{so } \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \frac{y^n}{e^y} = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{y}{e^{\frac{1}{n}y}} \right)^n = 0$$

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

Differentiability is obvious except at $x=0$. We differentiate each branch and then check if they agree at $x=0$. (This works since $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}} = 0$)

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

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2}{x^3} e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}} = 0 \quad (\text{consequence of 25(c)})$$

$f^{(1)}(x)$ exists and is continuous $f^{(1)}(0) = 0$

$f^{(n)}(x)$ exists and is continuous.

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

$P_k(t)$ is a k^{th} -order polynomial of t .

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} P_{3n}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}} = 0 \quad \forall n \in \{0, 1, \dots\} \quad \text{as a consequence of 25(c).}$$

$$\text{Assume } f^{(n)}(x) = \begin{cases} P_{3n}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}} & x > 0 \\ 0 & x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f^{(n+1)}(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} P_{3n}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}} = P_{3n+1}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}} + \frac{2}{x^3} P_{3n}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}} \\ &= P_{3n+1}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}} + P_{3n+3}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}} \\ &= P_{3(n+1)}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}} \end{aligned}$$

So $f^{(n)}(x)$ exists, cont and $f^{(n)}(0) = 0 \quad \forall n \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$
by induction

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$g(x) \geq 0$ (otherwise $|f(x)| \leq g(x)$ would not be possible).

$$\int_a^\infty g(x) dx = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^y g(x) dx \text{ exists}$$

Pf: Pick $\epsilon > 0$. Then there exists L such that

$$\int_{L_1}^{L_2} g(x) dx < \epsilon \text{ for all } L_2 > L_1 > L.$$

Let $L_1 \rightarrow L$, $L_2 \rightarrow \infty$, look at $|f(x)|$

$$\int_L^\infty |f(x)| dx < \int_L^\infty g(x) dx < \epsilon$$

Now look at:

$$\int_a^{L'} f(x) dx = \int_a^L f(x) dx + \int_L^{L'} f(x) dx \quad L' > L$$

$$\left| \int_L^{L'} f(x) dx \right| \leq \int_L^{L'} |f(x)| dx < \epsilon$$

Let $L' \rightarrow \infty$

$$\int_a^\infty f(x) dx < \int_a^L f(x) dx + \epsilon$$

$$|x^\alpha f(x)| \leq M \Rightarrow |f(x)| \leq \frac{M}{x^\alpha} \quad \alpha > 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} |f(x)| \stackrel{x \rightarrow \infty}{\rightarrow} 0 \quad \text{for } M \text{ st.}$$

$$|f(x)| \leq \frac{M}{x^\alpha}$$