

**M405 - HOMEWORK SET #9- SOLUTIONS**

6.1.8 The derivative of  $g$ , if it exists, equals

$$(1) \quad g'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} (g(x+h) - g(x))$$

$$(2) \quad = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \int_0^1 (f((x+h)y) - f(xy)) y^2 dy$$

Since  $f$  is  $C^1$ , for any  $x$ , we have

$$f(x+z) = f(x) + f'(x)z + R_x(z)$$

for some error function  $R_x$ . Therefore

$$f((x+h)y) - f(xy) = f'(xy)hy + R_{xy}(hy)$$

and by (2)

$$\begin{aligned} g'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \int_0^1 (f'(xy)hy + R_{xy}(hy)) y^2 dy \\ &= \int_0^1 f'(xy)y^3 dy + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \int_0^1 R_{xy}(hy)y^2 dy \end{aligned}$$

We claim that the second term vanishes, which we now prove.

Let  $x$  be fixed and assume, for notational simplicity, that  $x > 0$ . We show that

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \int_0^1 R_{xy}(hy)y^2 dy = 0$$

Since  $f'$  is continuous, it is uniformly continuous on  $[0, x+1]$ . Given  $\frac{1}{m}$ , let  $\frac{1}{n}$  be such that for  $|z_0 - z_1| < \frac{1}{n}$   $|f'(z_0) - f'(z_1)| < \frac{1}{m}$ . For any  $y, h$  we have

$$f((x+h)y) - f(xy) = f'(z^*)(hy)$$

for some  $z^*$  between  $xy$  and  $xy + hy$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} R_{xy}(hy) &= f((x+h)y) - f(xy) - f'(xy)hy \\ &= (f'(z^*) - f'(xy)) hy \end{aligned}$$

If  $|h| < \frac{1}{n}$ , since  $|y| \leq 1$ , we have  $|z^* - xy| < h < \frac{1}{n}$  and hence

$$|R_{xy}(hy)| \leq \frac{1}{m} |h|y$$

It follows that if  $|h| < \frac{1}{n}$ ,

$$\left| \frac{1}{h} \int_0^1 R_{xy}(hy)y^2 dy \right| \leq \frac{1}{m} \int_0^1 y^3 dy.$$

Since  $\int_0^1 y^3 dy$  is a constant, it follows that

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \int_0^1 R_{xy}(hy)y^2 dy = 0.$$

We showed that

$$g'(x) = \int_0^1 f'(xy)y^3 dy.$$

It remains to show that  $g'$  is continuous. Fix  $M > 0$  and restrict the functions  $f, f', g, g'$  to  $[0, M]$ . We show that  $g'$  is uniformly continuous on  $[0, M]$ . Since  $f'$  is continuous on  $[0, M]$ , it is uniformly continuous. Given  $\frac{1}{m}$ , let  $\frac{1}{n}$  be such that for all  $x_1, x_2 \in [0, M]$ ,  $|f'(x_1) - f'(x_2)| < \frac{1}{m}$ . Then for all  $x_1, x_2 \in [0, M]$  with  $|x_1 - x_2| < \frac{1}{n}$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} |g'(x_1) - g'(x_2)| &= \left| \int_0^1 f'(x_1 y) y^3 dy - \int_0^1 f'(x_2 y) y^3 dy \right| \\ &= \left| \int_0^1 (f'(x_1 y) - f'(x_2 y)) y^3 dy \right| \\ &\leq \int_0^1 |(f'(x_1 y) - f'(x_2 y))| y^3 dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{1}{m} y^3 dy = \frac{1}{4m} < \frac{1}{m} \end{aligned}$$

where we used the fact that  $0 \leq y \leq 1$  to deduce that  $|x_1 y - x_2 y| \leq |x_1 - x_2| < \frac{1}{n}$ .

Or, you could have used Theorem 6.1.7 although we have not proved it.

6.1.14 a) Fix  $x \in (a, b)$  and assume that  $f(x) \neq 0$ . (If  $f(x) = 0$  the statement follows trivially). By the mean value theorem, there exist  $y_1 < x < y_2$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= f'(y_1)(x - a) \\ f(x) &= f'(y_2)(x - b) \end{aligned}$$

In particular,  $f'(y_1)$  and  $f'(y_2)$  have different signs and therefore by the intermediate value theorem, there exists  $z$  with  $y_1 < z < y_2$  such that  $f'(z) = 0$ . Since

$$|y_1 - z| + |y_2 - z| = |y_1 - y_2| < b - a$$

either  $|y_2 - z| \leq |x - a|$  or  $|y_1 - z| \leq |x - b|$ . There are now two cases to check

Case 1 If  $|y_2 - z| \leq |x - a|$ , then by the intermediate value theorem, there exists  $w$  such that  $f'(y_2) = f''(w)(y_2 - z)$  and hence

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x)| &= |f'(y_2)(x - b)| = |f''(w)(y_2 - z)(x - b)| \\ &\leq M_2 |y_2 - z| |x - b| \leq M_2 |x - a| |x - b| \end{aligned}$$

Case 2 If  $|y_1 - z| \leq |x - b|$ , then by the intermediate value theorem, there exists  $w$  such that  $f'(y_1) = f''(w)(y_1 - z)$  and hence

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x)| &= |f'(y_1)(x - a)| = |f''(w)(y_1 - z)(x - a)| \\ &\leq M_2 |y_1 - z| |x - a| \leq M_2 |x - b| |x - a| \end{aligned}$$

b) Let  $f$  be a function with  $|f''(x)| \leq M_2$  for all  $x$ . We would like to compare the value of the integral  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$  with the trapezoidal rule approximation of the integral with respect to some partition  $P = x_i$ . Consider a particular interval in the

partition  $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$ . The difference between the integral and the trapezoid rule over this partition is

$$(3) \quad \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} f(x)dx - \frac{1}{2}(f(x_i) + f(x_{i-1}))(x_i - x_{i-1}).$$

We can rewrite the second term as the integral of the linear function  $f(x_{i-1}) + \frac{f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})}{x_i - x_{i-1}}x$  and hence (3) becomes

$$(4) \quad \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} f(x) - \left( f(x_{i-1}) + \frac{f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})}{x_i - x_{i-1}}x \right) dx$$

In this equation, the integrand vanishes on the boundary points and its second derivative coincides with the second derivative of  $f$ . By part a) of this question, the integrand is bounded by  $M_2(x_i - x)(x - x_{i-1})$  and (4) is bounded by

$$\int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} M_2(x_i - x)(x - x_{i-1})dx = M_2 \frac{(x_i - x_{i-1})^3}{6}$$

To evaluate the integral, note that the result only depends on  $x_i - x_{i-1}$ , so assuming  $x_{i-1} = 0$ , the integral simplifies to

$$\int_0^{x_i} (x_i x - x^2)dx = \frac{x_i^3}{2} - \frac{x_i^3}{3} = \frac{x_i^3}{6}.$$

Hence if  $P$  is a partition such that  $(x_i - x_{i-1}) < \delta$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b f(x)dx - \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{2} (f(x_k) + f(x_{k-1})) (x_k - x_{k-1}) \\ & \leq \sum_{k=1}^n M_2 \frac{(x_k - x_{k-1})^3}{6} \leq \sum_{k=1}^n M_2 \delta^2 \frac{(x_k - x_{k-1})}{6} \\ & = \frac{M_2 \delta^2}{6} (b - a) \end{aligned}$$

6.2.1 Let  $f^*$  be the restriction of  $f$  to  $[a, b]$ . We show that  $Osc(f^*, P) \rightarrow 0$  as  $|P| \rightarrow 0$ . Since  $f$  is integrable,  $Osc(f, P') \rightarrow 0$  as  $|P'| \rightarrow 0$ . Given  $\frac{1}{m}$ , let  $\frac{1}{n}$  be such that  $Osc(f, P') < \frac{1}{m}$  for all partitions  $P'$  of  $[a, c]$  such that  $|P'| < \frac{1}{n}$ . For any partition  $P$  of  $[a, b]$  such that  $|P| < \frac{1}{n}$  let  $P'$  be an extension of  $P$  to  $[a, c]$  such that  $|P'| < \frac{1}{n}$  as well. We have

$$Osc(f^*, P) \leq Osc(f, P') < \frac{1}{n}$$

6.2.4 Since  $f, g$  are Riemann integrable on  $[a, b]$ , they are in particular bounded. Let  $|f(x)| \leq M_1$  and  $|g(x)| < M_2$  for all  $x$ . The oscillation  $Osc(f \cdot g, P)$  is the sum of the terms

$$\sup_{x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]} f(x)g(x) - \inf_{x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]} f(x)g(x)$$

multiplied by  $(x_i - x_{i-1})$ . These terms can equivalently be expressed as

$$\sup_{x, y \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]} |f(x)g(x) - f(y)g(y)|$$

By triangle inequality,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sup_{x,y \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]} |f(x)g(x) - f(y)g(y)| \\
 &= \sup_{x,y \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]} |f(x)g(x) - f(x)g(y) + f(x)g(y) - f(y)g(y)| \\
 &= \sup_{x,y \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]} |f(x)||g(x) - g(y)| + |g(y)||f(x) - f(y)| \\
 &\leq M_1 \sup_{x,y \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]} (g(x) - g(y)) + M_2 \sup_{x,y \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]} (f(x) - f(y))
 \end{aligned}$$

It follows that  $Osc(f \cdot g, P) \leq M_1 Osc(g, P) + M_2 Osc(f, P)$  from which it follows that  $Osc(f \cdot g, P) \rightarrow 0$  when  $|P| \rightarrow 0$  if  $f$  and  $g$  are Riemann integrable.

6.2.6 Consider  $h(x) = f(x) - g(x)$ . We have  $h(x) = 0$  for all but finitely many  $x$ . Hence  $h$  is Riemann integrable. Then  $g = f(x) - h(x)$  is Riemann integrable being the sum of two Riemann integrable functions.

6.2.7 We will construct a partition  $P$  with an arbitrarily small value of  $Osc(g \circ f, P)$ . For simplicity, we will only consider equidistant partitions, i.e., for  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ , we take  $x_i = a + (b - a) \cdot \frac{i}{N}$ . Letting  $M_i, m_i$  be the supremum and infimum of  $f$  over the  $i$ th interval we have

$$Osc(f, P) = \frac{a - b}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N M_i - m_i$$

and this quantity goes to 0 as  $N$  goes to infinity since  $f$  is Riemann integrable. If all of the differences  $M_i - m_i$  got small as  $N$  increased then using uniform continuity of  $g$  we could easily argue that  $Osc(g \circ f, P)$  also goes to 0 when  $N$  goes to infinity. In general though, some of the terms  $M_i - m_i$  might remain large, for example if  $f$  is discontinuous. Only few of the terms  $M_i - m_i$  can remain large though and we would need to bound contributions from those intervals separately. We will need a quantitative measure of how many of the terms in  $M_i - m_i$  might remain large.

Let  $M'_i$  and  $m'_i$  be the supremum and infimum of  $g \circ f$  over the  $i$ th interval. Let  $2|g(x)| \leq M$  for all  $x$ . Then  $|M'_i - m'_i| \leq M$  for all  $i$ . Given  $\epsilon > 0$ , let  $\delta > 0$  be such that if  $|y_1 - y_0| < \delta$  then  $|g(y_1) - g(y_2)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ . Hence if for some  $i$  we have  $M_i - m_i < \delta$ , then  $M'_i - m'_i < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ .

Let  $K \in \mathbb{N}$  be such that  $K > \frac{2M}{\epsilon}$ . Let  $P$  be an equidistant partition of  $[a, b]$  with  $NK$  subintervals such that

$$Osc(f, P) = \frac{a - b}{NK} \sum_{i=1}^{NK} M_i - m_i < \frac{(b - a)\delta}{K}$$

This inequality implies that at most  $N$  of the terms  $M_i - m_i$  can be bigger than  $\delta$  since otherwise the left hand side would add up to a number bigger than  $\frac{(b-a)\delta}{K}$ . The corresponding terms in  $Osc(g \circ f, P)$  will contribute at most

$$N \cdot \frac{a - b}{NK} \cdot M \leq \frac{(b - a)\epsilon}{2}$$

since there will be at most  $N$  terms each one of which will be of the form  $\frac{a-b}{NK}(M'_i - m'_i)$  and  $M'_i - m'_i < M$ . The remaining terms in  $Osc(g \circ f, P)$  will have  $(M'_i - m'_i) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$

since for those  $i$ ,  $M_i - m_i < \delta$ . Those will contribute at most

$$NK \cdot \frac{a-b}{NK} \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \frac{(b-a)\epsilon}{2}$$

Therefore

$$Osc(g \circ f, P) \leq (b-a)\epsilon$$

Since  $\epsilon$  can be chosen arbitrarily small, the result follows.

6.2.10 Let  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^+} f(x) = f^+(x_0)$  which we assume exists. Then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^+} \frac{F(x) - F(x_0)}{x - x_0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^+} \frac{1}{x - x_0} \int_{x_0}^x f(t) dt$$

Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^+} f(x) = f^+(x_0)$  given any  $\epsilon > 0$  if  $x > x_0$  is sufficiently close to  $x_0$  then  $|f(x) - f^+(x_0)| < \epsilon$ . For all such  $x$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{1}{x - x_0} \int_{x_0}^x f(t) dt - f^+(x_0) \right| &= \left| \frac{1}{x - x_0} \int_{x_0}^x f(t) - f^+(x_0) dt \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{x - x_0} (x - x_0) \cdot \epsilon = \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

In other words, for  $x > x_0$  close enough to  $x_0$ ,  $\frac{1}{x-x_0} \int_{x_0}^x f(t) dt$  is within  $\epsilon$  of  $f^+(x_0)$ . We thus get

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^+} \frac{F(x) - F(x_0)}{x - x_0} = f^+(x_0)$$

Completely analogously, for  $f^-(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^-}$ , we have

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^-} \frac{F(x) - F(x_0)}{x - x_0} = f^-(x_0)$$

This shows that if  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0$ , i.e.  $f^-(x_0) = f^+(x_0) = f(x_0)$ , then  $F'(x_0) = f(x_0)$  and if  $f^-(x_0) \neq f^+(x_0)$ , then the limit defining the derivative of  $F$  at  $x_0$  does not exist.