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KEY

Instructions. Show all working and reasoning, the points are almost all for logical, complete reasoning. If you use a result from the class notes, state it, but you need not prove it unless you are asked to. [Approximate point values in parentheses, total = 100 points, but there are 5 bonus points]

1. If f is integrable on $[a, b]$ then does it follow that f is differentiable on (a, b) ? Prove it or give a counterexample (and short explanation why your example fits the requirements). [7]

Solution. No. For example $|x|$ on $[-1, 1]$ is not differentiable at 0, but is continuous, so integrable by a theorem from class.

2. If $f(x)$ is differentiable at c , prove that $f(x)$ is continuous at c . [7]

Solution. $f(x) = \frac{f(x)-f(c)}{x-c}(x-c) + f(c) \rightarrow f'(c)0 + f(c) = f(c)$ as $x \rightarrow c$.

3. Let $f(x) = x^2|x|$. Prove that f is differentiable at every point. [9]

Solution. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)-f(0)}{x-0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2|x|}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x|x| = 0$, by squeezing, since $|x|x| = x^2 \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow 0$. So f is differentiable at 0. If $c > 0$ then $f(x) = x^3$ near c , and this is differentiable (by a result from class). Similarly, if $c < 0$ then $f(x) = -x^3$ near c , and this is differentiable.

4. (a) State and prove Rolle's theorem. [6+9]
 (b) State the mean value theorem. [6]
 (c) Prove that if $f'(x) \leq 0$ for all $x \in (a, b)$ then $f(x)$ is decreasing on (a, b) . [7]

Solution. (a) Rolle's theorem states: If $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous, and f is differentiable on (a, b) , and $f(a) = f(b) = 0$, then there exists $c \in (a, b)$ with $f'(c) = 0$.

To prove this, note that it is clearly true if f is constant. By the MAX-MIN theorem f has a maximum and a minimum value on $[a, b]$. One of these values must be nonzero if f is not constant, and hence it is achieved at a point c which is not a or b . By the first derivative test, $f'(c) = 0$.

(b) If $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous, and f is differentiable on (a, b) , then there exists $c \in (a, b)$ with $f'(c) = (f(b) - f(a)) / (b - a)$.

(c) If $a < x < y < b$ then by the MVT there exists c such that $f(y) - f(x) = f'(c)(y - x) \leq 0$, since $f'(c) \leq 0$. Thus $f(x) \geq f(y)$. So f is decreasing on (a, b) .

5. (a) What can you say about a function $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ which is one-to-one and continuous? List as many consequences as you know. [6]

(b) State the inverse function theorem. [10]

Solution. (a) f is either strictly increasing or strictly decreasing; its range is an open interval, f^{-1} is also continuous.

(b) Suppose that $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a differentiable function with $f'(x) \neq 0$ for all $x \in (a, b)$. Then f is one-to-one, its range $f((a, b))$ is an open interval (c, d) , and for any $y \in (c, d)$, we have $(f^{-1})'(y) = \frac{1}{f'(x)}$, where $f(x) = y$.

6. (a) Define a partition P of $[a, b]$, define $L(f, P)$ and the lower integral $L(f)$. [10]

(b) What does it mean to say that a bounded function $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is integrable? [2]

(c) Give an example of a bounded function on $[0, 1]$ that is not integrable (you need not explain why). [3]

7(a) If f and g are integrable on $[a, b]$, and $f \leq g$ on $[a, b]$, prove that $\int_a^b f dx \leq \int_a^b g dx$. [9]

Solution. (a) A partition P is a set $\{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ where $a = x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n = b$.

Define $L(f, P) = \sum_{k=1}^n m_k (x_k - x_{k-1})$, where $m_k = \inf\{f(t) : x_{k-1} \leq t \leq x_k\}$. Define $L(f) = \sup\{L(f, P)\}$, the supremum over all partitions P of $[a, b]$.

(b) It means that $L(f) = U(f)$.

(c) $f(x) = 1$ for rational x , $f(x) = 0$ for irrational x .

7(a) If we take a partition P of $[a, b]$, then

$$m_k = \inf\{f(x) : x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]\} \leq \inf\{g(x) : x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]\}.$$

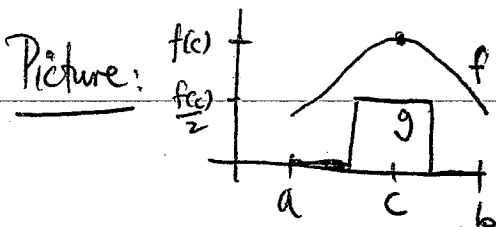
Call this last number m'_k . Then

$$L(f, P) = \sum_{k=1}^n m_k \Delta x_k \leq \sum_{k=1}^n m'_k \Delta x_k = L(g, P) \leq L(g) = \int_a^b g dx.$$

Taking the supremum over all partitions P we deduce that $L(f) \leq \int_a^b g dx$, which is what we need since $L(f) = \int_a^b f dx$.

7(b) Suppose that $f(x) \geq 0$ for all $x \in [a, b]$, and that f is continuous on $[a, b]$, and $\int_a^b f dx = 0$. Prove that f is always 0 on $[a, b]$. [14]

Solution. Suppose that $f(c) > 0$ for some $c \in (a, b)$, we will get a contradiction. By an earlier question in the section on limits and continuity, there is a neighborhood U of c in $[a, b]$ such that $f(x) > f(c)/2$ for all $x \in U$. Let g be the function on $[a, b]$ which is 0 everywhere, except on a closed interval centered at c inside U , where $g(x) = f(c)/2$. Clearly $\int_a^b g dx > 0$. Then $g \leq f$ so by (a) we have $\int_a^b f dx \geq \int_a^b g dx > 0$. This contradicts the fact that $\int_a^b f dx = 0$.



Alternative solution: If U above is $[h, k]$, let

$P = \{a, h, k, b\}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b f dx &\geq L(f, P) = (h-a)m_1 + (k-h)m_2 + (b-k)m_3 \\ &\geq 0 + (k-h)\frac{f(c)}{2} + 0 \quad (\text{see picture}) \\ &> 0. \quad \text{a Contradiction} \end{aligned}$$