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§1.8#4. Show that if $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is uniformly continuous on S and $\{x_k\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in S , then $\{f(x_k)\}$ is also a Cauchy sequence. On the other hand, give an example of a Cauchy sequence $\{x_k\}$ in $(0, \infty)$ and a continuous function $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ (of necessity, *not* uniformly continuous) such that $\{f(x_k)\}$ is not Cauchy.

Let $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ be uniformly continuous on S and $x_n \in S$ be a Cauchy sequence. Claim $\{f(x_n)\}$ is also Cauchy.

Let $\epsilon > 0$. We need to show there is N such that $m, n \geq N$ implies $|f(x_m) - f(x_n)| < \epsilon$.

Since f is uniformly continuous, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $x, y \in S$ with $|x - y| < \delta$ implies $|f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$.

Since x_n is Cauchy, there exists N such that $m, n \geq N$ implies $|x_m - x_n| < \delta$.

Combining the above together yields that

$$|f(x_m) - f(x_n)| < \epsilon \quad \text{whenever } m, n \geq N.$$

Therefore $\{f(x_n)\}$ is Cauchy.

For the second part consider $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ and the sequence $x_n = \frac{1}{n}$. Then f is continuous and since $x_n \rightarrow 0$ then x_n is Cauchy.

However

$$f(x_{n+1}) - f(x_n) = \frac{1}{x_{n+1}} - \frac{1}{x_n} = n+1 - n = 1$$

for all n implies that $f(x_n)$ is not Cauchy.

§1.6# 5. Show that if $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is uniformly continuous and S is bounded, then $f(S)$ is bounded.

Suppose $f(S)$ were not bounded. Then there would exist $x_n \in S$ such that $|f(x_n)| \rightarrow \infty$.

By choosing a subsequence, if necessary, we may assume that $|f(x_n)| \geq n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Since $x_n \in S$ and S is compact, the Bolzano-Weierstrass theorem implies there is a subsequence $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x$ for some $x \in S$.

Let $\epsilon > 0$ and use the continuity of f at x to find $\delta > 0$ such that $|y - x| < \delta$ implies $|f(y) - f(x)| < \epsilon$.

Since $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x$ there is K large enough so

$$k \geq K \text{ implies } |x_{n_k} - x| < \delta$$

Consequently $k \geq K$ implies $|f(x_{n_k}) - f(x)| < \epsilon$.

But then

$$n_k \leq |f(x_{n_k})| = |f(x_{n_k}) - f(x)| + |f(x)| < \varepsilon + |f(x)|$$

and the fact that the sequence $n_k \geq k \rightarrow \infty$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$ is a contradiction.

Therefore $f(x)$ must be bounded.

§1.1 #2. Define the function f by $f(x) = x^2 \sin(1/x)$ if $x \neq 0$ and $f(0) = 0$. Show that f is differentiable at every $x \in \mathbb{R}$, including $x = 0$, but that f' is discontinuous at $x = 0$. (Calculating $f'(x)$ for $x \neq 0$ is easy; to calculate $f'(0)$ you need to go back to the definition of derivative.)

When $x \neq 0$ then

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 2x \sin(1/x) + x^2 \cos(1/x) (-1/x^2) \\ &= 2x \sin(1/x) - \cos(1/x) \end{aligned}$$

When $x = 0$ then

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

Since $|\sin(1/h)| \leq 1$ is bounded and $h \rightarrow 0$ we obtain $f'(0) = 0$.

Therefore f is differentiable at every $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Taking $x_n = \frac{1}{2\pi n}$ yields

$$f'(x_n) = \frac{1}{2\pi n} \sin 2\pi n - \cos 2\pi n = -1$$

Taking $y_n = \frac{1}{2\pi(n+1/2)}$ yields

$$f'(y_n) = \frac{1}{\pi(n+1/2)} \sin(2\pi(n+1/2)) - \cos(2\pi(n+1/2)) = 1.$$

If the limit $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f'(x)$ were to exist then the limit would be the same along every sequence tending to 0. However, x_n and y_n are two sequences tending to 0 and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f'(x_n) = -1 \quad \text{but} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f'(y_n) = 1.$$

Therefore f' is not continuous at 0.

§2.1 #9. Define the function f by $f(x) = e^{-1/x^2}$ if $x \neq 0$, $f(0) = 0$.

- a. Show that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)/x^n = 0$ for all $n > 0$. (You'll find that a simple-minded application of Theorem 2.10 doesn't work. Try setting $y = 1/x^2$ instead.)

Set $y = 1/x^2$ then $y \rightarrow \infty$ if and only if $x \rightarrow 0$.

Now if $n = 2k$ then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{x^n} = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{-1/x^2}}{x^{2k}} = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} y^k e^{-y} = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \frac{y^k}{e^y}.$$

Since $y^k \rightarrow \infty$ and $e^y \rightarrow \infty$ as $y \rightarrow \infty$ we may apply L'Hôpital's rule in the form of Theorem 2.11 to obtain

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \frac{y^k}{e^y} = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k y^{k-1}}{e^y}$$

Applying L'Hôpital's rule a total of k times yields

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

Therefore

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{x^n} = 0 \quad \text{in the case } n = 2k.$$

If $n = 2k - 1$ note that $0 < |x| < 1$ implies $1 \leq \frac{1}{|x|}$. Thus

$$\left| \frac{f(x)}{x^n} \right| \leq \frac{1}{|x|} \left| \frac{f(x)}{x^n} \right| = \left| \frac{f(x)}{x^{2k}} \right| \quad \text{where } k > 0.$$

Since we've already shown that $\left| \frac{f(x)}{x^{2k}} \right| \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow 0$

it follows that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{x^n} = 0$ as desired.

b. Show that f is differentiable at $x = 0$ and that $f'(0) = 0$.

By definition

$$f'(0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h) - f(0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{-1/h^2}}{h^{n+1}}$$

Since the last limit was already shown to exist and equal 0,
then $f'(0) = 0$.

c. Show by induction on k that for $x \neq 0$, $f^{(k)}(x) = P(1/x) \underbrace{e^{-1/x^2}}_{f(x)}$, where P is a polynomial of degree $3k$.

Suppose $x \neq 0$. Then for $k=1$ we have

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

where $p(t) = -nt + 2t^3$ is a polynomial of degree 3.

For induction, suppose $f^{(k)}(x) = P_k\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) f(x)$ where P_k is a polynomial of degree $3k$. Claim that

$$f^{(k+1)}(x) = P_{k+1}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) f(x)$$

where P_{k+1} is a polynomial of degree $3(k+1)$.

Computes as

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

where $P_{k+1}(t) = P_k'(t) + P_k(t) \left(-nt + 2t^3\right)$.

Since P_k was assumed to be a polynomial of degree $3k$ then P_k' is a polynomial of degree $3k-1$ and

$P_k(t)(-nt+2t^3)$ is a polynomial of degree $3k+3$.

It follows that P_{k+1} is a polynomial of degree $3(k+1)$ which completes the induction.

- d. Show by induction on k that $f^{(k)}(0)$ exists and equals 0 for all k . (Use the results of (a) and (c) to compute the derivative of $f^{(k-1)}$ at $x=0$ directly from the definition, as in (b).)

Let $k=1$. From part (a) we know that $f'(0)=0$.

For induction suppose $f^{(k-1)}(0)=0$. By definition, part (c) and the induction hypothesis

$$f^{(k)}(0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f^{(k-1)}(h) - f^{(k-1)}(0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{P_{k-1}\left(\frac{1}{h}\right) f(h)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} Q\left(\frac{1}{h}\right) e^{-1/h^2}$$

where Q is a polynomial of degree $3(k-1)+1+1 = 3k+n+2$. In general writing

$$Q(t) = \sum_{j=0}^{3k+n+2} a_j t^j$$

yields that

$$Q\left(\frac{1}{h}\right) e^{-1/h^2} = \sum_{j=0}^{3k+n+2} a_j \frac{e^{-1/h^2}}{h^j}$$

We know that $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} e^{-1/h^2} = 0$ and $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{-1/h^2}}{h^j} = 0$ for $j > 0$.

Therefore

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} Q\left(\frac{1}{h}\right) e^{-1/h^2} = \sum_{j=0}^{3k+1+2} a_j \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{-1/h^2}}{h^j} = \sum_{j=0}^{3k+1+2} a_j \cdot 0 = 0.$$

It follows that $f^{(k)}(0) = 0$ thus completing the induction.

The upshot is that f possesses derivatives of all orders at every point and that $f^{(k)}(0) = 0$ for all k .

§2.2#1. For each of the following functions f , (i) compute ∇f , (ii) find the directional derivative of f at the point $(1, -2)$ in the direction $(\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5})$.

a. $f(x, y) = x^2y + \sin \pi xy$.

b. $f(x, y) = e^{4x-y^2}$.

c. $f(x, y) = (x + 2y + 4)/(7x + 3y)$.

Note that $u = (\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5})$ is a unit vector, so $\partial_u f(x) = u \cdot \nabla f(x)$.

(a) $\nabla f(x, y) = (2xy + \pi y \cos \pi xy, x^2 + \pi x \cos \pi xy)$

$$\partial_{(\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5})} f(1, -2) = \left(\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}\right) \cdot \nabla f(1, -2)$$

$$= \left(\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}\right) \cdot (-4 - 2\pi \cos 2\pi, 1 + \pi \cos 2\pi)$$

$$= \left(\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}\right) \cdot (-4 - 2\pi, 1 + \pi) = \frac{-12 - 6\pi}{5} + \frac{4 + 4\pi}{5} = \frac{-8 - 2\pi}{5}$$

$$(b) f(x, y) = e^{4x-y^2}$$

$$\nabla f(x, y) = (4e^{4x-y^2}, -2ye^{4x-y^2})$$

$$\partial_{\left(\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}\right)} f(1, -2) = \left(\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}\right) \cdot (4e^{4-4}, 4e^{4-4}) = \left(\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}\right) (4, 4) = \frac{28}{5}$$

$$(c) f(x, y) = \frac{x+2y+4}{7x+3y}$$

$$\nabla f(x, y) = \left(\frac{7x+3y - 7(x+2y+4)}{(7x+3y)^2}, \frac{2(7x+3y) - 3(x+2y+4)}{(7x+3y)^2} \right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{-11y-28}{(7x+3y)^2}, \frac{11x-12}{(7x+3y)^2} \right)$$

$$\partial_{\left(\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}\right)} f(1, -2) = \left(\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}\right) \cdot (-6, -1) = -\frac{22}{5}$$

§2.1#8. Suppose f is a function defined on an open set $S \subset \mathbb{R}^n$. Show that if the partial derivatives $\partial_j f$ exist and are bounded on S , then f is continuous on S . (Exercise 7 provides an example of a function that satisfies these conditions on $S = \mathbb{R}^2$ but is not everywhere differentiable.)

Suppose the partial derivatives $\partial_j f$ are bounded on S . Then there is a bound M such that $|\partial_j f(x)| \leq M$ for every $x \in S$.

Our argument follows the proof of Theorem 2.1.9 from the text with changes made as necessary.

For notational convenience consider the case $n=2$.

Let $a \in S$. We wish to show that

$$f(a+h) - f(a) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } h \rightarrow 0.$$

To do this make the change one variable at a time

$$f(a+h) - f(a) = f(a_1+h_1, a_2+h_2) - f(a_1, a_2+h_2) + f(a_1, a_2+h_2) - f(a_1, a_2)$$

Since S is open we assume h_1 and h_2 are small enough so that the partial derivatives $\partial_j f(x)$ exist whenever $|x-a| \leq |h|$. In this case we can use the one-variable mean value theorem to write

$$f(a_1+h_1, a_2+h_2) - f(a_1, a_2+h_2) = h_1 \partial_1 f(a_1+c_1, a_2+h_2)$$

for some c_1 between 0 and h_1 . Similarly

$$f(a_1, a_2+h_2) - f(a_1, a_2) = h_2 \partial_2 f(a_1, a_2+c_2)$$

for some c_2 between 0 and h_2 .

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} |f(a+h) - f(a)| &\leq |h_1 \partial_1 f(a_1+c_1, a_2+h_2)| + |h_2 \partial_2 f(a_1, a_2+c_2)| \\ &\leq |h_1| M + |h_2| M \leq 2|h| M \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } h \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus f is continuous for every $a \in S$.

Ex. 3#2. Find $\partial_x w$ and $\partial_y w$ in terms of the partial derivatives $\partial_1 f$, $\partial_2 f$, and $\partial_3 f$.

a. $w = f(2x - y^2, x \sin 3y, x^4)$.

b. $w = f(e^{x-3y}, \log(x^2 + 1), \sqrt{y^4 + 4})$.

c. $w = \arctan[f(y^2, 2x - y, -4)]$.

Let $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be differentiable. Then the chain rule states that

$$\frac{d}{dt} f(g(t)) = \nabla f(g(t)) \cdot g'(t)$$

(a) $w = f(2x - y^2, x \sin 3y, x^4)$

To compute $\partial_x w$ let $g(x) = (2x - y^2, x \sin 3y, x^4)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_x w &= \nabla f(g(x)) \cdot g'(x) \\ &= \nabla f(2x - y^2, x \sin 3y, x^4) \cdot (2, \sin 3y, 4x^3) \\ &= 2 \partial_1 f(2x - y^2, x \sin 3y, x^4) \\ &\quad + \sin 3y \partial_2 f(2x - y^2, x \sin 3y, x^4) \\ &\quad + 4x^3 \partial_3 f(2x - y^2, x \sin 3y, x^4). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_y w &= \nabla f(2x - y^2, x \sin 3y, x^4) \cdot (-2y, 3x \cos 3y, 0) \\ &= -2y \partial_1 f(2x - y^2, x \sin 3y, x^4) \\ &\quad + 3x \cos 3y \partial_2 f(2x - y^2, x \sin 3y, x^4). \end{aligned}$$

b. $w = f(e^{x-3y}, \log(x^2 + 1), \sqrt{y^4 + 4})$.

$$\partial_x w = \nabla f(e^{x-3y}, \log(x^2+1), \sqrt{y^4+4}) \cdot \left(e^{x-3y}, \frac{2x}{x^2+1}, 0 \right)$$

$$= e^{x-3y} \partial_1 f(e^{x-3y}, \log(x^2+1), \sqrt{y^4+4})$$

$$+ \frac{2x}{x^2+1} \partial_2 f(e^{x-3y}, \log(x^2+1), \sqrt{y^4+4})$$

$$\partial_y w = \nabla f(e^{x-3y}, \log(x^2+1), \sqrt{y^4+4}) \cdot \left(-3e^{x-3y}, 0, \frac{2y^3}{\sqrt{y^4+4}} \right)$$

$$= -3e^{x-3y} \partial_1 f(e^{x-3y}, \log(x^2+1), \sqrt{y^4+4})$$

$$+ \frac{2y^3}{\sqrt{y^4+4}} \partial_3 f(e^{x-3y}, \log(x^2+1), \sqrt{y^4+4})$$

c. $w = \arctan[f(y^2, 2x - y, -4)]$

$$\partial_x w = (\nabla \arctan \circ f)(y^2, 2x - y, -4) \cdot (0, 2, 0)$$

Now

$$\partial_i \arctan(f(p)) = \frac{1}{f(p)^2 + 1} \partial_i f(p)$$

Therefore

$$\partial_x w = 2 \frac{\partial_x f(p)}{f(p)^2 + 1} \Bigg|_{p = (y^2, 2x - y, -4)}$$

Similarly

$$\partial_{y^2} = (\nabla \arctan \circ f)(y^2, 2x-y, -4) \cdot (2y, -1, 0)$$

Therefore

$$\partial_{y^2} = \left[2y \frac{\partial_1 f(p)}{f(p)^2+1} - \frac{\partial_2 f(p)}{f(p)^2+1} \right] \Big|_{p=(y^2, 2x-y, -4)}$$

§2.5# 5. Let $V = \pi r^2 h$ and $S = 2\pi r(r+h)$ (the volume and surface area of a circular cylinder). Compute

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial h} \Big|_r, \quad \frac{\partial V}{\partial h} \Big|_S, \quad \frac{\partial V}{\partial S} \Big|_r, \quad \frac{\partial S}{\partial V} \Big|_r,$$

where the subscript indicates the variable that is being held fixed.

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial h} \Big|_r = \frac{\partial \pi r^2 h}{\partial h} \Big|_r = \pi r^2$$

To compute $\frac{\partial V}{\partial h} \Big|_S$ note that S fixed implies

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = dS &= 2\pi r(dr+dh) + 2\pi(r+h)dr \\ &= 2\pi(2r+h)dr + 2\pi r dh \end{aligned}$$

Consequently

$$\frac{dr}{dh} \Big|_S = \frac{-2\pi r}{2\pi(2r+h)} = \frac{-r}{2r+h}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial V}{\partial h} \Big|_s &= \frac{\partial V}{\partial h} \Big|_r + \frac{\partial V}{\partial r} \Big|_h \frac{dr}{dh} = \pi r^2 + 2\pi r h \cdot \frac{-r}{2r+h} \\ &= \pi r^2 \left(1 - \frac{2h}{2r+h} \right)\end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial s} \Big|_r = \frac{(\partial V / \partial h)_r}{(\partial s / \partial h)_r} = \frac{(\partial \pi r^2 h / \partial h)_r}{(\partial 2\pi r(r+h) / \partial h)_r} = \frac{\pi r^2}{2\pi r} = \frac{r}{2}$$

and

$$\left(\frac{\partial s}{\partial V} \right)_r = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial s} \right)_r} = \frac{2}{r}$$