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### Exercise Sheet No. 12 Advanced Mathematics I

**Exercise 56:** Compute the following limits:

$$(a) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{1}{x^3 + ax^2 + x} - \frac{1}{\sin x} \right), \quad (b) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{1}{x} \right)^{\tan x}, \quad (c) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (\cos x)^{1/x^2}.$$

The coefficient  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  in part (a) is a constant.

**Solution:**

We will apply l'Hospital's rule to evaluate these limits.

(a) We have

$$\frac{1}{x^3 + ax^2 + x} - \frac{1}{\sin x} = \frac{\sin x - (x^3 + ax^2 + x)}{(x^3 + ax^2 + x) \sin x}.$$

By l'Hospital's rule we have

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{1}{x^3 + ax^2 + x} - \frac{1}{\sin x} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x - 3x^2 - 2ax - 1}{(x^3 + ax^2 + x) \cos x + (3x^2 + 2ax + 1) \sin x}.$$

Applying l'Hospital a second time we get

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{1}{x^3 + ax^2 + x} - \frac{1}{\sin x} \right) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\sin x - 6x - 2a}{(6x^2 + 4ax + 2) \cos x - (x^3 + ax^2 - 5x - 2a) \sin x} \\ &= \frac{-2a}{2} = -a. \end{aligned}$$

(b) Rewriting yields

$$\left( \frac{1}{x} \right)^{\tan x} = e^{\tan x \ln \frac{1}{x}} = e^{-\tan x \ln x} = \exp \left( -\frac{\tan x}{\ln x} \right).$$

We may bring the limit inside the exponential function by continuity, and the function inside has the 0/0 form required to apply l'Hospital's rule.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan x}{\frac{1}{\ln x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{\cos^2 x}}{-\frac{1}{x(\ln x)^2}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} - \left( \frac{\sqrt{x} \ln x}{\cos x} \right)^2$$

Evaluating the resulting limit inside the exponential we obtain

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (\sqrt{x} \ln x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln x}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}} \stackrel{\frac{-\infty}{\infty}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{x}}{-\frac{1}{2x^{3/2}}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} -2\sqrt{x} = 0.$$

Thus, the original limit becomes

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{1}{x} \right)^{\tan x} = \exp \left( \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{\sqrt{x} \ln x}{\cos x} \right)^2 \right) = \exp \left( \left( \frac{0}{1} \right)^2 \right) = 1.$$

(c) We will again rewrite the expression using the exponential function and apply l'Hospital's rule:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (\cos x)^{1/x^2} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \exp \left( \frac{\ln \cos x}{x^2} \right) = \exp \left( \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln \cos x}{x^2} \right) \\ &\stackrel{\frac{0}{0}}{=} \exp \left( \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{\cos x} (-\sin x)}{2x} \right) = \exp \left( -\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{2x \cos x} \right) \\ &\stackrel{\frac{0}{0}}{=} \exp \left( -\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x}{2 \cos x - 2x \sin x} \right) = e^{-1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

**Exercise 57:**

Determine the constant  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  such that the function  $f(x) = \begin{cases} c, & x = 1, \\ \frac{2^{\ln x} - x}{\ln x}, & x \neq 1, \end{cases}$  on  $\mathbb{R}_{>0}$  is continuous.

**Solution:**

For continuity to hold we must have,

$$c = f(1) \stackrel{!}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2^{\ln x} - x}{\ln x}.$$

Rewriting this expression with the exponential function we obtain:

$$\frac{2^{\ln x} - x}{\ln x} = \frac{e^{\ln 2 \ln x} - x}{\ln x} = \frac{x^{\ln 2} - x}{\ln x}.$$

We have an expression with the 0/0 form and apply l'Hospital's rule:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^{\ln 2} - x}{\ln x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\ln 2 x^{\ln 2 - 1} - 1}{\frac{1}{x}} = \ln 2 - 1.$$

Thus we need  $c = \ln 2 - 1$  for  $f$  defined on  $\mathbb{R}_{>0}$  to be continuous.

**Exercise 58:** Calculate all the derivatives  $f^{(n)}$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  of the function  $f$  and give the Taylor series for  $f$  with center of expansion  $x_0 = 0$ . Where does the series in part (a) converge?

$$(a) \quad f(x) = \cosh \frac{x}{2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad (b) \quad f(x) = \sqrt{1+x}, \quad |x| \leq 1.$$

Hint for (b): The derivatives of  $f$  have the following form:  $f^{(k)}(x) = -(-1)^k \frac{(2k-2)!}{2^{2k-1}(k-1)!} (1+x)^{-\frac{2k-1}{2}}$ .

**Solution:**

(a) By considering the values  $k = 1, 2, 3$  we guess the following form for  $f^{(k)}$ :

$$f^{(k)}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2^k} \sinh\left(\frac{x}{2}\right), & k \text{ ungerade} \\ \frac{1}{2^k} \cosh\left(\frac{x}{2}\right), & k \text{ gerade} \end{cases}$$

We prove the above form is correct by induction.

- $k = 1$ :  $f'(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sinh\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \checkmark$
- $k = 2$ :  $f''(x) = \frac{1}{4} \cosh\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \checkmark$
- $k \rightarrow k + 1$ : 1. For  $k$  odd:  $f^{(k+1)}(x) = \left(\frac{1}{2^k} \sinh\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\right)' = \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} \cosh\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$   
 2. For  $k$  even:  $f^{(k+1)}(x) = \left(\frac{1}{2^k} \cosh\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\right)' = \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} \sinh\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$  □

We now find the Taylor expansion. Observe  $\sinh(0) = 0$  and  $\cosh(0) = 1$ , so we have  $f^{(2k+1)}(x) = 0$  and  $f^{(2k)}(x) = \frac{1}{2^{2k}}$ . We obtain the series:

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(2k)}(0)}{(2k)!} (x-0)^{2k} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2k}}{2^{2k}(2k)!}.$$

We analyze convergence with the ratio test. Set  $a_k = \frac{x^{2k}}{2^{2k}(2k)!}$ , then

$$\left| \frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k} \right| = \frac{2^{2k}(2k)! |x|^{2k+2}}{2^{2k+2}(2k+2)! |x|^{2k}} = \frac{|x|^2}{4(2k+2)(2k+1)} \rightarrow 0, \quad (k \rightarrow \infty)$$

Thus, the series converges on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

(b)

(i) We will prove the formula for the  $k$ th derivative by induction:

- $k = 1$ : We have  $f(x) = (x+1)^{1/2}$  so  $f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x+1)^{-1/2}$ . It follows that

$$f^{(1)}(x) = -(-1)^1 \frac{(2-2)!}{2^{2-1} 0!} (1+x)^{-\frac{2-1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2}(1+x)^{-1/2} = f'(x)$$

- $k \rightarrow k + 1$ : We assume the result holds for  $k$  and prove it for  $k + 1$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Induction Hypothesis} \quad & f^{(k)}(x) = -(-1)^k \frac{(2k-2)!}{2^{2k-1}(k-1)!} (1+x)^{-\frac{2k-1}{2}} \\ \text{Induction Step} \quad & (f^{(k)})'(x) = f^{(k+1)}(x) = (-1)^k \frac{(2k)!}{2^{2k+1} k!} (1+x)^{-\frac{2k+1}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Thus we obtain for  $f^{(k)}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left(f^{(k)}\right)'(x) &= -(-1)^k \frac{(2k-2)!}{2^{2k-1}(k-1)!} \left(-\frac{2k-1}{2}\right) (1+x)^{-\frac{2k+1}{2}} \\
 &= (-1)^k \frac{(2k-2)!(2k-1)}{2^{2k-1}(k-1)! \cdot 2} (1+x)^{-\frac{2k+1}{2}} \\
 &= (-1)^k \frac{(2k-1)!}{2^{2k}(k-1)!} (1+x)^{-\frac{2k+1}{2}} \\
 &= (-1)^k \frac{(2k)! \frac{1}{2k}}{\frac{1}{2} 2^{2k+1} \frac{1}{k} k!} (1+x)^{-\frac{2k+1}{2}} \\
 &= (-1)^k \frac{(2k)!}{2^{2k+1} k!} (1+x)^{-\frac{2k+1}{2}} = f^{(k+1)}(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

as we were required to prove.

(ii) The Taylor Series at  $x_0$  has the form

$$\left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(x_0)}{n!} (x-x_0)^n\right)$$

and for  $x_0 = 0$  we obtain:

$$f^{(n)}(0) = -(-1)^n \frac{(2n-2)!}{2^{2n-1}(n-1)!}$$

Since  $f(0) = \sqrt{0+1} = 1$ , we have:

$$\left(1 - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (2n-2)!}{2^{2n-1}(n-1)! n!} x^n\right)$$

### Exercise 59:

- (a) Determine the Taylor formula for  $m = 2$  about the point  $x_0 = 8$  for the function  $f(x) = x^{2/3}$ ,  $x \geq 1$ , find an expression for the Lagrange form of the remainder.
- (b) For natural numbers  $n$  and real  $x$ ,  $1+x > 0$ , show using the Taylor formula that

$$(1+x)^n \geq 1+nx.$$

### Solution:

- (a)  $f(x) = x^{2/3}$ ,  $f(x_0) = 8^{2/3} = 4$ ;  $f'(x) = \frac{2}{3}x^{-1/3}$ ,  $f'(x_0) = \frac{1}{3}$ ;  $f''(x) = \frac{-2}{9}x^{-4/3}$ ,  $f''(x_0) = -\frac{1}{72}$ ;  $f'''(x) = \frac{8}{27}x^{-7/3}$ .  
 We obtain  $f(x) = 4 + \frac{1}{3}(x-8) - \frac{1}{2!} \frac{1}{72}(x-8)^2 + \frac{1}{3!} \frac{8}{27} \xi^{-7/3} (x-8)^3$  for some  $\xi$  between  $x$  and  $x_0 = 8$ .  
 We now find bounds on  $|f'''(\xi)|$ , where  $\xi$  is between  $x$  and  $x_0 = 8$ .  
 For  $\xi > \min(x, 8) \geq 1$  we have  $\frac{8}{27} \xi^{-7/3} \leq \frac{8}{27}$ . Thus,  $|R_2(x, \xi)| \leq \frac{1}{3!} \frac{8}{27} |x-8|^3 = \frac{4}{81} |x-8|^3$ .

- (b) For  $n = 1$  this is obvious and for  $n \geq 2$  we defined  $f(x)$  to be the right-hand-side of the given expression. It follows that

$$f'(x) = n(1+x)^{n-1}, \quad f''(x) = n(n-1)(1+x)^{n-2}.$$

The Taylor expansion of  $f$  about 0 is given by

$$f(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + f''(\xi) \frac{x^2}{2} = 1 + nx + n(n-1)(1+\xi)^{n-2} \frac{x^2}{2}$$

where  $\xi$  is between 0 and  $x$ . Since  $\xi > -1$ , the term  $1+\xi$  is nonnegative and so  $n(n-1)(1+\xi)^{n-2} \geq 0$ . It follows that

$$(1+x)^n = 1 + nx + n(n-1)(1+\xi)^{n-2} \frac{x^2}{2} \geq 1 + nx,$$

as required.

### Exercise 60:

- (a) Define the function  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $f(x) = 1$  for  $x \geq 0$  and  $f(x) = -1$  for  $x < 0$ . Show that the function  $F(x) = \int_0^x f(t)dt$  is not a primitive (antiderivative) of  $f$ .
- (b) Given  $g: \mathbb{R}_{>0} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $g(x) = \int_{2\pi}^x \frac{\sin(t)}{t} dt$ . Find the Taylor polynomial  $p_2(x)$  of degree 2 about  $x_0 = 2\pi$ .

**Solution:**

- (a) For  $x \geq 0$  we have  $F(x) = \int_0^x 1 dx = x$  and for  $x < 0$  we have  $F(x) = \int_0^x (-1) dx = -x$ , so  $F(x) = |x|$ . This function is not differentiable at  $x = 0$  and so cannot be a primitive.
- (b) Using the fundamental theorem of Calculus we obtain  $g'(x) = \frac{\sin(x)}{x}$ . It follows that

$$g''(x) = \left( \frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)' = \frac{\cos(x)x - \sin(x)}{x^2}.$$

Plugging in  $x_0$  yields,  $g(2\pi) = 0$ ,  $g'(2\pi) = 0$  and  $g''(2\pi) = \frac{1}{2\pi}$ . The Taylor polynomial is hence

$$p_2(x) = \frac{f(2\pi)}{0!} + \frac{f'(2\pi)}{1!}(x - 2\pi) + \frac{f''(2\pi)}{2!}(x - 2\pi)^2 = \frac{1}{4\pi}(x - 2\pi)^2.$$

**Due date:** Your written solutions are due at 14:00 on Tuesday, 29 January, 2019.  
Please submit them at the beginning of the problem session.

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