

Each problem is worth 10 points. Show adequate justification for full credit. Don't panic.

1. State the definition of the derivative of a function  $f(x)$  at  $x = a$ .

Let  $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . Then the derivative of  $f(x)$  at  $x = a$  is  $f'(a) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a}$  provided that the limit exists, meaning  $a$  must be an accumulation point of  $f$ , and that it is finite.

Good

2. a) State the definition of a set  $E$  being closed.

A set  $E$  is closed iff all the accumulation points of  $E$  are elements of  $E$ .

- b) State the definition of a set  $E$  being open.

A set  $E$  is open iff  $\forall a \in E, \exists \delta > 0 \Rightarrow (a - \delta, a + \delta) \subseteq E$

Great

Intermediate

3. State the Indermediate Value Theorem.

IVT: If  $f$  is a continuous function on  $[a, b]$   
and  $k \in \mathbb{R}$  is between  $f(a)$  and  $f(b)$ , then  
 $\exists c \in (a, b) \ni f(c) = k.$

Good

4. a) State the definition of a compact set.

A set  $S$  is compact iff every open cover  
of  $S$  has a finite sub cover.

b) State the Heine-Borel Theorem.

In  $\mathbb{R}$ , a set is compact iff it's  
both closed and bounded.

Excellent

c) Give an example of an open cover for  $(0, 2020)$  that has no finite subcover.

$$A = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \left( \frac{1}{n}, 2020 \right)$$

5. Prove that if  $f$  is differentiable at  $a$  then  $f$  is continuous at  $a$ .

Proof: Since  $f$  is differentiable at  $a$ ,  $a$  is an accumulation point of the domain of  $f$  (#1 note).

Since  $a$  is an a.p.,  $f$  is continuous iff  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$  or  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) - f(a) = 0$ .

Now,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) - f(a) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f(x) - f(a))$  since  $f(a)$  is a constant. For this limit  $x \neq a$  so  $x - a \neq 0$ , and thus

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f(x) - f(a)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left( \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} (x - a) \right)$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left( \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} \right) \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow a} (x - a)$$

Since both limits exist, The first limit exists because  $f'(a)$  exists and the second limit exists because  $x - a$  is a polynomial.  $f'(a)$  exists since  $f$  is differentiable at  $a$

$$= f'(a) \cdot (a - a) = f'(a) \cdot 0 = 0$$

Excellent

$\therefore f$  is continuous at  $a$



6. State and prove Fermat's Theorem.

Fermat's Theorem: Let  $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , with  $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . If  $f$  has a relative extrema at  $x = c \in (a, b) \subseteq D$ , and  $f$  is differentiable at  $c$ , then  $f'(c) = 0$ .

Proof: We'll prove just the max. case but the min. follows.

Well, if there's a relative maximum at  $x = c$ , then

by def<sup>n</sup>,  $\exists \delta > 0 \Rightarrow |x - c| < \delta \wedge x \in D \Rightarrow f(x) \leq f(c)$

$\Rightarrow f(x) - f(c) \leq 0$ . Now for  $x > c \wedge x \in (c - \delta, c + \delta) \cap D$ ,

$$x - c > 0 \Rightarrow \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} \leq 0 \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} \leq 0.$$

For  $x < c \wedge x \in (c - \delta, c + \delta) \cap D$ ,

$$x - c < 0 \Rightarrow \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} \geq 0 \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} \geq 0.$$

But we know that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}$  exists and is finite,

by the def<sup>n</sup> of differentiability, so the RHS +

LHS limits must be equal. This is the case only

when

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} = \lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} = 0.$$

Excellent

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} = f'(c) = 0, \text{ as desired.}$$

7. State and prove Rolle's Theorem.

theorem: Let  $f$  be a function for which

- $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$
- $f$  is differentiable on  $(a, b)$
- $f(a) = f(b)$

then  $\exists c \in (a, b) \Rightarrow f'(c) = 0$ .

proof: Well, consider the cases...

- Well, if  $f$  is a constant function then there is guaranteed to be some  $c \in (a, b)$ .
- Well, if  $\exists x \in (a, b)$  where  $f(x) > f(a)$  then by EVT  $f$  has some  $c \in [a, b]$  where  $f(c)$  is the maximum. But  $c \neq a$  and  $c \neq b$  so  $c \in (a, b)$  and by Fermat's Theorem  $f'(c) = 0$ .
- Well if  $\exists x \in (a, b)$  where  $f(x) < f(a)$ . Then it follows the same steps as case 2 but with a minimum rather than the maximum.

Since all cases are true, the theorem itself is true.  $\square$

Excellent!

✓ B. Prove that the product of continuous functions is continuous.

Let  $f, g: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , with  $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  both be continuous at  $a \in D$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. Then  $\exists \delta_1 > 0 \ni |x - a| < \delta_1 \wedge x \in D \Rightarrow |g(x) - g(a)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2|f(a)| + 1}$ . Now

because  $f$  is continuous at  $a$ , by previous proof

we know that  $\exists \delta_2 > 0 \ni |x - a| < \delta_2 \wedge x \in D$

$\Rightarrow |g(x)| < K, \exists K \neq 0$ . Then  $\exists \delta_3 > 0 \ni |x - a| < \delta_3$

$\wedge x \in D \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(a)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2K}$ . Let  $\delta^* = \min \{ \delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3 \}$

Then for  $|x - a| < \delta^* \wedge x \in D$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |(fg)(x) - (fg)(a)| &= |f(x)g(x) - f(a)g(a)| \\ &= |f(x)g(x) - g(x)f(a) + g(x)f(a) - f(a)g(a)| \\ &= |(g(x))(f(x) - f(a)) + f(a)(g(x) - g(a))| \\ &\leq |g(x)| |f(x) - f(a)| + |f(a)| |g(x) - g(a)| \\ &< K \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{2K} + |f(a)| \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{2|f(a)| + 1} \\ &< \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore fg$  is continuous at  $a \in D$ , and because  $a$  was arbitrary,  $fg$  is continuous.

Excellent!

✓ C. State and prove the Boundedness Theorem.

Boundedness Theorem: If  $f$  is a continuous function on  $[a, b]$ , then  $f$  is bounded on  $[a, b]$ .

Proof: Well suppose  $f$  is not bounded on  $[a, b]$ , so then there exists a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $[a, b]$  such that  $|f(x_n)| > n$ ,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . But because  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded, by the BWT for sequences, there exists a subsequence  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  that converges to some  $c$ . Well  $c$  must be an accumulation point of  $[a, b]$ , and because  $[a, b]$  is closed, then  $c \in [a, b]$  by def<sup>n</sup>. But this means  $f$  is continuous at  $c$ , so by a previous proof (that someone has done...)

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f(x_{n_k}) = f\left(\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_k}\right) = f(c).$$

But this contradicts our early statement as  $|f(x_{n_k})| > n_k$ ,  $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore  $f$  must be bounded on  $[a, b]$ .

Qwest



⌘ E. Give an example of a function that is defined for all real inputs, but continuous nowhere.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 1 & \text{for } x \in \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Q} \end{cases} \quad \text{Great}$$

$\forall a \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\forall 0 < \epsilon < 1$ , there does not exist  
a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|x - a| < \delta$  and  $x \in D \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(a)| < \epsilon$ ,  
But  $f$  is defined on the Reals.