

Assignment #4

1. Let f, g be integrable on $[a, b]$. Introduce notations

$$\|f\| = \left(\int_a^b f^2(x) dx \right)^{1/2}, \quad (f, g) = \int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx$$

- a) Prove Cauchy-Swartz inequality $|(f, g)| \leq \|f\| \cdot \|g\|$.

Solution

Let $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$. Consider

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq \int_a^b (f + \lambda g)^2 dx &= \int_a^b f^2 dx + 2\lambda \int_a^b fg dx + \lambda^2 \int_a^b g^2 dx \\ &= \|f\|^2 + 2\lambda(f, g) + \lambda^2\|g\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

If we consider the last line as a function in λ then we know that the discriminant, $b^2 - 4ac \leq 0$. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} [2(f, g)]^2 - 4\|f\|^2 \cdot \|g\|^2 &\leq 0 \\ \Rightarrow 4[(f, g)]^2 &\leq 4\|f\|^2 \cdot \|g\|^2 \\ |(f, g)| &\leq \|f\| \cdot \|g\| \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

- b) Show that Cauchy-Swartz inequality implies the *triangle inequality*

$$\|f + g\| \leq \|f\| + \|g\|.$$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \|f + g\|^2 &= \int_a^b (f + g)^2 dx \\ &= \int_a^b f^2 dx + 2 \int_a^b fg dx + \int_a^b g^2 dx \\ &= \|f\|^2 + 2(f, g) + \|g\|^2 \\ &\leq \|f\|^2 + 2\|f\| \cdot \|g\| + \|g\|^2 \\ &= (\|f\| + \|g\|)^2 \\ \Rightarrow \|f + g\| &\leq \|f\| + \|g\| \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

2. Find the second derivative $F''(x)$

a) $F(x) = \int_0^{\sin x} \cos(t^2) dt$

Solution

$$F'(x) = \cos(\sin^2(x)) \cos(x)$$

$$F''(x) = -\sin(x) \cos(\sin^2(x)) - 2 \sin(x) \cos^2(x) \sin(\sin^2(x))$$

b) $F(x) = \int_{-x}^{x^2} \sqrt{1+t^2} dt$

Solution

$$F(x) = - \int_c^{-x} \sqrt{1+t^2} dt + \int_c^{x^2} \sqrt{1+t^2} dt$$

$$F'(x) = \sqrt{1+x^2} + 2x\sqrt{1+x^4}$$

$$F''(x) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} + 2\sqrt{1+x^4} + \frac{4x^4}{\sqrt{1+x^4}}$$

c) $F(x) = \int_0^x x e^{t^2} dt$

Solution

$$F(x) = x \int_0^x e^{t^2} dt$$

$$F'(x) = \int_0^x e^{t^2} dt + x e^{x^2}$$

$$F''(x) = 2e^{x^2}(1+x^2)$$

3. Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (x^{-1} \int_0^x \sqrt{9+t^2} dt)$

Solution

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\int_0^x \sqrt{9+t^2}}{x} \stackrel{L'H}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sqrt{9+x^2} = 3$$

4. Let f be continuous on $[a, b]$. Suppose $\int_a^x f(t) dt = \int_x^b f(t) dt$ for all $x \in [a, b]$. Find function f .

Solution

We have $\int_a^x f(t)dt = -\int_b^x f(t)dt$ for all $x \in [a, b]$. Therefore, when we differentiate both sides we get

$$f(x) = -f(x) \Rightarrow f(x) = 0.$$

5. Let f be continuous on $[0, \infty)$. Let $f(x) \neq 0$ for $x > 0$ and $f^2(x) = 2 \int_0^x f(t)dt$. Find function f .

Solution

Differentiate both sides to get

$$2f(x)f'(x) = 2f(x) \Rightarrow f'(x) = 1 \Rightarrow f(x) = x + c \text{ for some } c$$

We now solve for c . We have

$$f^2(x) = x^2 + 2cx + c^2 = 2 \int_0^x (t+c) dt = [t^2 + 2ct]_0^x = x^2 + 2cx \Rightarrow c = 0.$$

Therefore, $f(x) = x$.

6. Let $I_n = \int_0^\infty x^{-n} dx$. For which real values n the integral I_n is convergent?

Hint: consider separately $\int_0^1 x^{-n} dx$ and $\int_1^\infty x^{-n} dx$

Solution

We have to consider the three cases $n = 1, n < 1$, and $n > 1$.

If $n < 1$, then $\int_1^\infty x^{-n} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} [x^{1-n}/(1-n)]_1^t = \infty$. Therefore, $\int_0^\infty x^{-n} dx$ diverges.

If $n > 1$, then $\int_0^1 x^{-n} dx = \lim_{c \rightarrow 0^+} [x^{1-n}/(1-n)]_c^1 = \infty$. Therefore, $\int_0^\infty x^{-n} dx$ diverges.

If $n = 1$, then we have $\int_1^\infty \frac{1}{x} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} [\ln x]_1^t = \infty$.

Therefore, $\int_0^\infty x^{-n} dx$ diverges for all n . $\square$

7. Is the following argument correct? Explain. $\int_{-L}^L \sin x dx = 0$ for any $L \geq 0$. Thus $\int_{-\infty}^\infty \sin x dx = 0$.

Solution

False. Consider $\int_0^\infty \sin(x) dx$. Then $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^t \sin(x) dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} [-\cos(x)]_0^t$, which diverges since $\cos(t)$ oscillates between $-1, 1$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$. Therefore, $\int_{-\infty}^\infty \sin(x) dx$ diverges.

8. Prove the following statement:

Let f be continuous on $[a, b]$ and g be continuous on $[c, d]$, where $f([a, b]) \subset [c, d]$. Then the composition $g \circ f$ is integrable on $[a, b]$.

Solution

Let $x \in [a, b]$. Then f is continuous at x . Since $f(x) \in [c, d]$ and g is continuous on $[c, d]$, we have g is continuous at $f(x)$. Therefore, $g \circ f$ is continuous at x . Since this is true for all $x \in [a, b]$, $g \circ f$ is continuous for all $x \in [a, b]$, hence it is integrable on $[a, b]$. $\square$

9. **Extra Points Problem**

Prove the following statement:

Let f be integrable on $[a, b]$ and g be continuous on $[c, d]$, where $f([a, b]) \subset [c, d]$. Then the composition $g \circ f$ is integrable on $[a, b]$.

Proof: Given any $\epsilon > 0$, let $K = \sup\{|g(t)| : t \in [c, d]\}$ and choose $\epsilon' > 0$ such that $\epsilon'(b - a + 2K) < \epsilon$. Since g is continuous on $[c, d]$, it is uniformly continuous on $[c, d]$. Thus there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that $\delta < \epsilon'$ and such that $|g(s) - g(t)| < \epsilon'$ whenever $|s - t| < \delta$ and $s, t \in [c, d]$. Since f is integrable on $[a, b]$, there exists a partition $P = \{x_0, x_2 \dots, x_n\}$ of $[a, b]$ such that

$$U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \delta^2.$$

We claim that for this partition we also have

$$U(g \circ f, P) - L(g \circ f, P) = \sum_{i=1}^n [M_i(g \circ f) - m_i(g \circ f)] \Delta x_i < \epsilon.$$

To show this, we separate the set of indices of the partition P into two disjoint sets.

$$A = \{i : M_i(f) - m_i(f) < \delta\} \text{ and } B = \{i : M_i(f) - m_i(f) \geq \delta\}.$$

Then if $i \in A$ and $x, y \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]$, we have

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq M_i(f) - m_i(f) < \delta,$$

so that $|g \circ f(x) - g \circ f(y)| < \epsilon'$. But then $M_i(g \circ f) - m_i(g \circ f) \leq \epsilon'$. It follows that

$$\sum_{i \in A} [M_i(g \circ f) - m_i(g \circ f)] \Delta x_i \leq \epsilon' \sum_{i \in A} \Delta x_i \leq \epsilon'(b - a).$$

On the other hand, if $i \in B$, then $[M_i(f) - m_i(f)]/\delta \geq 1$, so that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i \in B} \Delta x_i &\leq \frac{1}{\delta} \sum_{i \in B} [M_i(f) - m_i(f)] \Delta x_i \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\delta} [U(f, P) - L(f, P)] < \delta < \epsilon'. \end{aligned}$$

Thus since $M_i(g \circ f) - m_i(g \circ f) \leq 2K$ for all i , we have

$$\sum_{i \in B} [M_i(g \circ f) - m_i(g \circ f)] \Delta x_i \leq 2K \sum_{i \in B} \Delta x_i < 2K\epsilon'.$$

Now when we combine all the indices we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} U(g \circ f, P) - L(g \circ f, P) &= \sum_{i \in A} [M_i(g \circ f) - m_i(g \circ f)] \Delta x_i \\ &\quad + \sum_{i \in B} [M_i(g \circ f) - m_i(g \circ f)] \Delta x_i \\ &\leq \epsilon'(b - a) + 2K\epsilon' = \epsilon'(b - a + 2K) < \epsilon. \square \end{aligned}$$