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MA575: Solutions to PS #7

1a) Application of l'Hopital's Rule:  $f(x) = x \log x$      $f'(x) = \log x + 1$   
 $g(x) = e^x - e$      $g'(x) = e^x$

$g$  is everywhere diff &  $f$  is diff on  $(0, \infty)$ .

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^\pm} f(x) = 0 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^\pm} g(x)$  and  $g'$  is never zero.

Then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^\pm} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^\pm} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^\pm} \frac{\log x}{e^x} + \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^\pm} \frac{1}{e^x} = e^{-1}$ .

2.  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   $f$  diff &  $|f'(x)| < M \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $f$  is unif. cont. on  $\mathbb{R}$

Proof For  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  the Mean Value Th. states  $\exists c$  between  $x$  &  $y$  so  $|f(x) - f(y)| < |f'(c)| |x - y| < M |x - y|$ . Given  $\epsilon > 0$  take  $\delta = \epsilon/M$ . Then  $|x - y| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$  showing that  $f$  is uniformly continuous. ■

3-a)  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  continuous &  $\lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 0$ . Then  $f$  is unif. cont.

Proof Given  $\epsilon > 0$ . There is  $M_\epsilon$  s.t.  $|x| \geq M_\epsilon \Rightarrow |f(x)| < \epsilon/2$ .

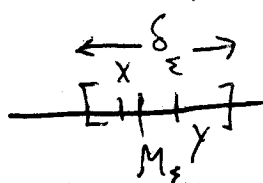
For any  $x, y$  with  $|x| > M_\epsilon, |y| > M_\epsilon$ ,

$$|f(x) - f(y)| < |f(x)| + |f(y)| < \epsilon$$

On  $[-M_\epsilon, M_\epsilon] \subset \mathbb{R}$ , a compact interval,  $f$  is uniformly continuous:  $\exists \delta_\epsilon > 0$  s.t.  $x, y \in [-M_\epsilon, M_\epsilon]$  w/  $|x - y| < \delta_\epsilon$

then  $|f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon/2$ . If  $x \in [-M_\epsilon, M_\epsilon]$  and  $y \in \mathbb{R} \setminus [-M_\epsilon, M_\epsilon]$  with  $|x - y| < \delta_\epsilon$ , then if  $x$  is near  $+M_\epsilon$  or  $-M_\epsilon$ :

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x) - f(y)| &\leq |f(x) - f(\pm M_\epsilon)| + |f(\pm M_\epsilon)| + |f(y)| \\ &\leq \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 = \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$



b)  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  odd, differentiable, unif cont. but  $f'$  unbounded.

$f(x) = \frac{\sin(x^4)}{1+x^2}$  then  $f$  is cont.  $\lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 0$  so  $f$  is unif. cont.

$f'(x) = 4x^3 \cos(x^4) (1+x^2)^{-1} - 2x \sin(x^4) (1+x^2)^{-2}$  is unbounded.

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Given  $M > 0$  let  $N$  be an integer  $N^{\frac{1}{2}} > M$  then if  $x = (2\pi N)^{\frac{1}{4}}$   
 $f'(x) \geq (2\pi N)^{\frac{3}{4}} > M$  so it is unbounded.

5.  $f$  diff  $(a, b)$  &  $f' \neq 0$  on  $(a, b)$ . Then let  $f(a) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x)$   
&  $f(b) = \lim_{x \rightarrow b^-} f(x)$  so  $f$  is cont on  $[a, b]$ . It could happen that  
these limits are  $+\infty$  or  $-\infty$ , for ex,  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  on  $(0, 1)$  &  $f'(x) \neq 0$   
on  $(0, 1)$  Then work on  $(\epsilon, 1]$  and take  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ . If  $f$  has an  
extrema at  $c \in (a, b)$  then  $f'(c) = 0$  (simple application of the  
difference quotient) Since  $f'(x) \neq 0, x \in (a, b)$   $f$  has no extrema  
So it is incr or decr. If  $f(a)$  is finite, then it may be an  
extrema:  $f(a) < f(b) \Rightarrow$  str. incr etc.

Another approach: if  $f$  isn't str. incr. then  $\exists c$  s.t.

$$f(x) < f(c) \quad x < c \quad \text{and} \quad f(c) > f(y), \quad y > c$$

then

$$\frac{f(c) - f(x)}{c - x} \geq 0 \quad \& \quad \frac{f(c) - f(y)}{c - y} \leq 0$$

so  $f'(c) = 0$ , contradiction.