

Exercises ... then we can do what kind of exercise in this section?

3.3.0: True or False: If f is continuous on $[a,b]$, then $J = f([a,b])$ is closed.

a. If f is continuous on $[a,b]$ and $J := f([a,b])$, then J is a closed bounded interval? True.

Proof: By Extreme value Thm

$$\exists x_1, x_m \in [a,b] \text{ s.t. } f(x_m) = \alpha := \inf \{f(x) : x \in [a,b]\}$$

$$\text{and } f(x_1) = \beta := \sup \{f(x) : x \in [a,b]\}$$

∴ $J \neq \emptyset$. Thus, $\alpha, \beta \in J$.

If $t \in (\alpha, \beta)$ then By Intermediate value Thm

there is a $x \in [a,b]$ s.t $f(x) = t \Rightarrow \text{i.e. } t \in J$.

We have shown that $[\alpha, \beta] \subseteq J$.

on the other hand, if $t \in J$ then $t = f(x)$ for some $x \in [a,b]$

so By the choice of α and β , $\alpha \leq t \leq \beta \Rightarrow \text{i.e. } J \subseteq [\alpha, \beta]$.

b. If f and g are continuous on $[a,b]$, if $f(a) < g(a)$ and $f(b) > g(b)$ then there is a $c \in [a,b]$ s.t $f(c) = g(c)$. True.

Let $h(x) = g(x) - f(x)$ By hypothesis $\underbrace{h(a) > 0}$ and $\underbrace{h(b) < 0}$.

Hence, By Intermediate value Thm:

There is a $c \in [a,b]$ s.t $\underbrace{h(c) = 0}$

$$g(c) - f(c) = 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } g(c) = f(c)$$

c. suppose f and g are defined and finite valued on an open interval I which contains a , that f is continuous at a , and $f(a) \neq 0$. Then g is cont. at a iff fg is continuous at a . True.

If f is continuous at a then fg is continuous too. (By Thm 2)

Conversely, if fg is continuous at a and f is continuous and $f(a) \neq 0$ Then $g = \frac{fg}{f}$ is continuous at a (By Thm 2).

d. suppose that f and g are defined and finite valued on \mathbb{R} . If f and gof are continuous on \mathbb{R} , then g is continuous on \mathbb{R} . False.

$$\text{let } f(x) = \begin{cases} 2-x & \text{for } x \leq 1 \\ \frac{1}{x} & \text{for } x \geq 1 \end{cases} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{cont.} \\ \} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\begin{aligned} g(x) &= 1-x & \text{for } x \leq 1 \\ g(x) &= -x & \text{for } x > 1 \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{discontinuous} \\ \} \end{array} \right.$$

since $f(x) > 0 \forall x$ and g is continuous on $(0, \infty)$

it is clear that f and gof are continuous. But g is not.

3.3.1: use limit Thm's to show that the following functions are conti. on $[0,1]$.

a. $f(x) = \frac{e^{x^2} \sqrt{\sin x}}{\cos x}$

e^{x^2} and $\sqrt{\sin x}$ are continuous on \mathbb{R} .

and since $\cos x \neq 0$ on $[0,1]$ Then By Thm 2 ($\frac{f}{g}$).

$\frac{e^{x^2} \sqrt{\sin x}}{\cos x}$ is continuous on \mathbb{R} .

b. $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2+x-2}{x-1}, & x \neq 1 \\ 3, & x=1 \end{cases}$

$\rightarrow \frac{x^2+x-2}{x-1}$ is continuous on $[0,1)$ since $x-1 \neq 0$ on $[0,1)$.

\rightarrow since $f(x) \rightarrow 3$ as $x \rightarrow 1$ and $f(1) = 3$ by RMK 1.

$\therefore f(x)$ is continuous on $[0,1]$.

c. $f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-\frac{1}{x}}, & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x=0 \end{cases}$

$x \neq 0$ for $x \in (0,1]$, so $f(x) = e^{-\frac{1}{x}}$ is continuous on $(0,1]$ By Thm 2.

since $-\frac{1}{x} \rightarrow -\infty$ as $x \rightarrow 0^+$ implies $e^{-\frac{1}{x}} \rightarrow e^{-\infty} = 0 = f(0)$.

it follows that from RMK 1 that f is continuous on $[0,1]$.

$$d) f(x) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{x} \sin \frac{1}{x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & \text{when } x = 0 \end{cases}$$

\sqrt{x} continuous and $\sin \frac{1}{x}$ continuous so $\sqrt{x} \sin \frac{1}{x}$ continuous on $x > 0$. By Thm 2.

since $0 \leq \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sin \frac{1}{x}} \leq \sqrt{x}$ it follows by squeeze Thm that

$$f(x) \rightarrow 0 := f(0) \text{ as } x \rightarrow 0^+$$

Thus, f is continuous on $[0, 1]$.

3.3.2: prove that there is at least one $x \in \mathbb{R}$ which satisfies the following equation.

a. $e^x = x^3$.

Consider $f(x) = e^x - x^3 \rightarrow f(x)$ is continuous and

$$f(-1) = \frac{1}{e} + 1$$

int. on (a, b)

$$f(a) - f(b) < 0$$

$$b. e^x = 2 \cos x + 1$$

$$f(x) = e^x - 2 \cos x - 1 \rightarrow f(x) \text{ is continuous}$$

$$f(0) = 1 - 2 - 1 = -2 \leq_0 \leq_{e+1} = f(1)$$

Hence, By intermediate value Theorem,

there is an x (between 0, 1) s.t $f(x) = 0$.

$$c. 2^x = 2 - 3x$$

$$f(x) = 2^x - 2 + 3x \rightarrow f(x) \text{ is continuous}$$

$$f(0) = -1 < 0$$

$$f(1) = 3 > 0$$

Hence, By Intermediate value Thm.

There is an x (between 0 and 1) s.t $f(x) = 0$.

3.3.3 : If $f: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous, prove that $\sup_{x \in [a,b]} |f(x)|$ is finite.

(\because f is continuous on $[a,b]$)

Hence, it follows from the Extreme value Thm that :

$|f|$ is bounded on $[a,b]$ i.e $\sup_{x \in [a,b]} |f(x)|$ is finite

3.3.4: If $f: [a,b] \rightarrow [a,b]$ is continuous, then f has a fixed point; that is there is a $c \in [a,b]$ s.t $f(c) = c$.

let $g(x) = f(x) - x$.

since $f(x) \in [a,b]$ for all $x \in [a,b]$ it is clear that $f(a) \geq a$ and $f(b) \leq b$.

Therefore, $g(a) = f(a) - a \geq 0$

and $g(b) = f(b) - b \leq 0$

since g is continuous on $[a,b]$, it follows from the Intermediate Value Thm that there is a $c \in [a,b]$ s.t $g(c) = 0$

$$g(c) = f(c) - c$$

$$0 = f(c) - c$$

$$f(c) = c \quad \square$$

3.3.5: If f is a real function which is continuous at $a \in \mathbb{R}$ and if $f(a) < M$ for

some $M \in \mathbb{R}$, prove that there is an open interval I containing a s.t $f(x) < M \forall x \in I$.

since $M - f(x) > 0$,

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$$g(x) > 0$$

∴ an interval I

$$g(x_0) > 0$$

3.5.6: Show that there exist nowhere continuous functions f and g whose sum $f+g$ is continuous on \mathbb{R} . Show that the same is true for the product of functions.

let $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0, & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$

and $g(x) = 1 - f(x)$ Then $f(x) + g(x) = 1$

and $f(x)g(x) = 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

Hence, $f+g$ and fg are continuous on \mathbb{R} even though f and g are nowhere continuous.

3.3.7: suppose that $a \in \mathbb{R}$, that I is open interval containing a , that $f, g: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, and that f is continuous at a . prove that g is continuous at a iff $f+g$ is continuous at a .

→ If g is continuous at a Then By (Thm 2)

$f+g$ is continuous

← if f and $f+g$ are continuous at a then $g = (f+g) - f$ is continuous.

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3.3.8: suppose that $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfies $f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y)$ for each $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$.

a. show that $f(nx) = nf(x)$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

By induction:

$$\rightarrow f(0) = f(0+0) = f(0) + f(0) = 2f(0) \Rightarrow f(0) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \text{For each } x \in \mathbb{R}, f(2x) = f(x+x) = f(x) + f(x) = 2f(x).$$

$$\rightarrow \text{And } 0 = f(0) = f(x-x) = f(x) + f(-x) \text{ implies } f(-x) = -f(x).$$

\rightsquigarrow so $f(nx) = f(x+\dots+x) = nf(x)$ holds for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

b. prove that $f(qx) = qf(x)$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and $q \in \mathbb{Q}$.

By part a,

$$f(x) = f\left(\underbrace{\frac{m}{m}x}\right) = m f\left(\frac{x}{m}\right)$$

($m \in \mathbb{N}$ chosen large enough so that $\frac{x}{m} \in \mathbb{Q}$)

Thus $f\left(\frac{x}{m}\right) = \frac{f(x)}{m}$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

$$\text{If } q \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ then } q = \frac{n}{m} \text{ so } f\left(\frac{nx}{m}\right) = n f\left(\frac{x}{m}\right)$$

$$= \frac{n}{m} f(x)$$

$$= q f(x)$$

for $x \in \mathbb{R}$. \square

C. Prove that f is continuous at 0 iff f is continuous on \mathbb{R} .

→ Suppose f is continuous at 0 and $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

If $x_n \rightarrow x$ then $x_n - x \rightarrow 0$

i.e. $|f(x_n) - f(x)| = |f(x_n - x)| \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Thus, f is continuous on \mathbb{R} .

← Trivial.

d. prove that if f is continuous at 0 , then there is an $m \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $f(x) = mx$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Let $m = f(1)$ and fix $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

choose $q_n \in A$ s.t. $q_n \rightarrow x$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Then by b and c

$$f(x) = f\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q_n \cdot 1\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(q_n \cdot 1) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q_n f(1) = m x.$$

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