

Questions from Rudin:

Chapter 5: 1, 12

Additional questions:

1. Let X be a metric space and let p be a limit point of X . Prove the following basic properties of limits.

- (a) Let $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the constant function defined by $f(x) = c$ for all $x \in X$. Prove $\lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x) = c$.
- (b) Let $f, g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. If $\lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x)$ exists and $\lim_{x \rightarrow p} g(x)$ exists, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x) + g(x)$ exists and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x) + g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x) + \lim_{x \rightarrow p} g(x).$$

- (c) Let $f, g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. If $\lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x)$ exists and $\lim_{x \rightarrow p} g(x)$ exists, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x) \cdot g(x)$ exists and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x) \cdot g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x) \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow p} g(x).$$

2. Let $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable functions and such that

- $f(a) = g(a)$,
- $f'(x) > g'(x)$ for all $x \in (a, b)$.

Prove that $f(x) > g(x)$ for $x > a$.

(Hint: Apply the mean value theorem to $h(x) = f(x) - g(x)$.)

3. Consider the exponential function $y = e^x$. Prove the following inequalities:

- (a) $x > 0 \implies e^x > 1 + x$
- (b) $x > 0 \implies e^x > 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2}$
- (c) $x > 0 \implies e^x > 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6}$
- (d) $x > 0 \implies e^x > 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \cdots + \frac{x^n}{n!}$

You may assume the basic properties of exponentials like $e^x > 1$ for $x > 0$ and $(e^x)' = e^x$.

(Hint: Use question 1)

4. Let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^4 \sin(1/x) & x \neq 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \end{cases}.$$

Prove that $f(x)$ is differentiable, $f'(x)$ is differentiable, but $f''(x)$ is not continuous at $x = 0$.

5. Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable. We know from class that if $f(x)$ has a local min/max at p in (a, b) , then $f'(p) = 0$. Is the converse of this statement true? That is, if $f'(p) = 0$ with p in (a, b) , does f have a local min/max at p ? Prove this or give a counter-example.
6. Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable. We know from class that if $f'(x) > 0$ for all x then f is strictly increasing. Is the converse of this statement true? That is, if f is strictly increasing, is $f'(x) > 0$ for all x ? Prove this or give a counter-example.