HOMEWORK 9

Due on Monday, November 30th, in class.

Exercise 1 (10 points). Let $f, g : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$ be two functions continuous on [a, b] and differentiable on (a, b). Then there exists $x \in (a, b)$ such that

$$f'(x)[g(b) - g(a)] = g'(x)[f(b) - f(a)].$$

Exercise 2 (L'Hospital's Rule, 10 points). Let $f, g : (a, b) \to \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable and such that $g'(x) \neq 0$ for all $x \in (a, b)$. Assume

$$\lim_{x \to a+} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} = L \in \mathbb{R}.$$
(1)

If

$$\lim_{x \to a+} f(x) = \lim_{x \to a+} g(x) = 0,$$
(2)

then

$$\lim_{x \to a+} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = L.$$
(3)

Remark 1. Note that

• The hypothesis (2) can be replaced by $\lim_{x\to a_+} |g(x)| = \infty$.

• The limits in (1), (2), and (3) can be replaced by $\lim_{x\to a^-}$, $\lim_{x\to a}$, $\lim_{x\to\infty}$, or $\lim_{x\to-\infty}$, provided that the interval on which f, g are defined is modified accordingly.

• L can be taken to be ∞ or $-\infty$.

Exercise 3 (20 points). Solve exercises 30.1, 30.2, 30.3, and 30.5 from the textbook.

Definition 1. Let I be an open interval containing x = 0 and let $f : I \to \mathbb{R}$ be a function that has derivatives of all orders at x = 0. Then the series

$$\sum_{k\geq 0} \frac{f^{(k)}(0)}{k!} \, x^k$$

is called the Taylor series for f about 0. The remainder $R_n(x)$ is defined by

$$R_n(x) = f(x) - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{f^{(k)}(0)}{k!} x^k$$

Note that $f(x) = \sum_{k \ge 0} \frac{f^{(k)}(0)}{k!} x^k$ if and only if $\lim_{n \to \infty} R_n(x) = 0$.

Exercise 4 (Taylor's formula, 10 points). Let a < 0 < b and $f : (a,b) \to \mathbb{R}$. Assume the n^{th} derivative of f exists on (a,b). Then for all $x \in (a,b) \setminus \{0\}$ there exists y between 0 and x such that

$$R_n(x) = \frac{f^{(n)}(y)}{n!} x^n.$$

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Exercise 5 (10 points). Let a < 0 < b and $f : (a, b) \to \mathbb{R}$. If all derivatives of f exist on (a, b) and are bounded by some M > 0, then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} R_n(x) = 0 \quad for \ all \quad x \in (a, b).$$

Exercise 6 (40 points). Solve exercises 32.3, 32.6, 32.7, and 32.8 from the textbook.