

**HOMEWORK FOR 18.100B AND 18.100C, SPRING 2007**  
**ASSIGNMENT 9: DUE THURSDAY 19 APRIL, AT 11:00 IN**  
**2-108.**

- (1) (10 points) Show that if  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$  is  $(n+1)$  times differentiable, and  $x, y \in [a, b]$ , then

$$f(y) = f(x) + f'(x)(y-x) + \cdots + \frac{f^{(n)}(x)}{n!}(y-x)^n + E(y)$$

where

$$|E(y)| \leq \sup_{[a,b]} |f^{(n+1)}| \frac{|y-x|^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}$$

Hint: try taking the dot product of  $E(t)$  with  $E(y)$  to get an  $\mathbb{R}$  valued function.

- (2) (10 points) Show that if  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is differentiable and there exists some  $c$  so that

$$|f'(x)| \leq c|f(x)|$$

then if  $f(a) = 0$ ,  $f(x)$  must be 0 for all  $x \in [a, b]$ .

Hint: don't try to integrate this as  $f'$  is not necessarily Riemann integrable...Try to think what the mean value Theorem can tell us about the relationship between the supremum of  $f$  and  $f'$  on some small neighborhood of  $a$ .

- (3) (a) (10 points) Suppose that  $f$  and  $g$  are real differentiable functions on an interval  $[a, b]$  that satisfy the differential equation

$$f'(t) = H(t, f(t))$$

$$g'(t) = H(t, g(t))$$

Where  $H : [a, b] \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfies the following condition. There exists some constant  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  so that

$$|H(t, s_1) - H(t, s_2)| \leq c|s_1 - s_2|$$

Show that if  $f(a) = g(a)$  then  $f$  and  $g$  are equal everywhere.

Hint: apply the previous problem to  $f - g$ .

- (b) (5 points) Show that if  $H(t, s) = |s|^{\frac{1}{2}}$  that this is not true.
- (4) Denote the space of all continuous real valued functions on  $[a, b]$  by  $C([a, b])$ .
- (a) (10 points) Suppose that  $\alpha$  is a strictly increasing function on  $[a, b]$ . (In other words  $\alpha(x) > \alpha(y)$  if  $x > y$ .) Define the following inner product for  $f, g \in C([a, b])$ :

$$\langle f, g \rangle := \int_a^b f g d\alpha$$

Define the norm of  $f \in C([a, b])$  to be

$$\|f\|_2 := (\langle f, f \rangle)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Prove the following inequality (called the Cauchy-Schwartz inequality):

$$\langle f, g \rangle \leq \|f\|_2 \|g\|_2$$

(b) (10 points) Show that the following defines a metric on  $C([a, b])$ :

$$d(f, g) := \|f - g\|_2$$

(c) (5 points) Give an example showing that this is not a metric on  $\mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ .

(5) (10 points) Recall that any rational in  $\mathbb{Q}$  has a unique reduced form  $\frac{p}{q}$  where  $p$  and  $q$  are integers with no common factors and  $q > 0$ . Define the function  $f$  by  $f(x) = \frac{1}{q}$  if  $x = \frac{p}{q}$  and  $f(x) = 0$  for  $x \notin \mathbb{Q}$ . Prove directly that  $f$  is Riemann integrable on  $[0, 1]$  and find

$$\int_0^1 f dx$$

The following problem is not to be handed in: Define the following for any  $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$  on the interval  $[a, b]$  and  $q \in (0, \infty)$ :

$$\|f\|_q = \left( \int_a^b |f|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

Prove that if  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ , then

$$\|fg\|_1 \leq \|f\|_p \|g\|_q$$

This is called Hölder's inequality. (For a hint see problem 10 in Rudin.) Prove also that the following gives a metric on  $C([a, b])$  in the case that  $\alpha$  is a strictly increasing function:

$$d(f, g) = \|f - g\|_q$$