

1. Let  $X$  be a continuous uniform random variable on the interval  $(a, b)$ , where the density function is  $f(x) = \frac{1}{b-a}$ . Prove that this is a valid density function and that the mean,  $E[X]$ , is the midpoint between  $a$  and  $b$ . (Review definitions from Density Functions Handout.)
2. Disprove the statement that if  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x$ , then it is differentiable at  $x$ .
3. Prove that there exists a function  $f$ , such that  $f'(x) = f(x)$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .
4. If  $n \neq 0$ ,  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $n$  divides  $a$ , denoted  $n|a$ , if  $\exists m \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $a = nm$ . Prove that if  $n|a$  and  $a|b$ , then  $n|b$ .
5. If  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $n > 0$  and  $4^n - 1$  is prime, then  $n$  is odd.
6. Let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $n > 0$ , prove  $\frac{d}{dx}x^n = nx^{n-1}$ .
7. Prove that if  $x$  is even, then  $x^2$  is even.
8. Prove that  $x$  is even iff  $x + 1$  is odd.
9. Prove that for all  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $x^2 + x$  is even.
10. Prove that for any rational  $x$  and any irrational  $y$ ,  $x + y$  is irrational.
11. Let  $a_i \in \mathbb{R}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . If  $\prod_{i=1}^n a_i = a_1 a_2 \dots a_n = 0$ , then prove  $\exists k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  such that  $a_k = 0$ .
12. Prove that for all  $x$  there exists  $y$  such that  $y^2 > x$ .

1) if  $f(x) = \frac{1}{b-a}$  on  $x \in (a, b)$

$$\Rightarrow b > a \Rightarrow b-a > 0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{b-a} > 0$$

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_a^b \frac{1}{b-a} dx = \frac{1}{b-a} x \Big|_a^b = \frac{1}{b-a} (b-a) = 1$$

$\therefore$  a valid density function

$$E[x] = \int_a^b x f(x) dx = \int_a^b x \cdot \frac{1}{b-a} dx = \frac{1}{b-a} \cdot \frac{x^2}{2} \Big|_a^b$$

$$= \frac{b^2 - a^2}{2(b-a)} = \frac{(b-a)(b+a)}{2(b-a)} = \frac{a+b}{2} = \text{midpt b/w } a+b.$$

2) let  $f(x) = |x|$ , which is continuous  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

consider  $x=0$   $f'(0)$  DNE  $\therefore$  if  $f$  is cont. then  $f$  is diff does not hold.

3) let  $f(x) = e^x$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = e^x \Rightarrow \exists \text{ a function } \Rightarrow f(x) = f'(x) \forall x$$

4) let  $n|a$  and  $a|b$

$$\Rightarrow \exists m_1, m_2 \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow a = m_1 n \text{ and } b = m_2 a$$

$$\Rightarrow b = m_2 (m_1 n) = (m_2 m_1) n$$

$$\text{Since } m_1, m_2 \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow m_2 m_1 \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow \exists m_3 = m_2 m_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Rightarrow b = m_3 n \quad \therefore n|b$$

5) let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $n > 0$  and let  $4^n - 1$  be prime.

$$\text{Suppose } n \text{ is even } \Rightarrow \exists k \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow n = 2k$$

$$\Rightarrow 4^n - 1 = 4^{2k} - 1 = (4^k)^2 - 1 = (4^k - 1)(4^k + 1)$$

Since  $n > 0 \Rightarrow k > 0$  and since  $k \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow k \geq 1$

Since  $f(x) = 4^x$  is an increasing function

$$\Rightarrow 4^k - 1 \geq 4^1 - 1 = 3$$

$$\text{and } 4^{k+1} > 4^1 + 1 = 5$$

Since  $4^k \pm 1 \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $4^k \pm 1 > 1$

$\Rightarrow 4^n - 1$  has factors other than 1 and  $4^n - 1$

$\Rightarrow 4^n - 1$  is not prime  $\Rightarrow \Leftarrow$

$\therefore n$  is not even  $\Rightarrow n$  is odd

(6) prove  $\frac{d}{dx} x^n = nx^{n-1}$  for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^*$

$$n=1 \quad \frac{d}{dx} x^1 = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+\Delta x) - x}{\Delta x} = 1$$
$$= 1 \cdot x^{1-1}$$

$\S \frac{d}{dx} x^n = nx^{n-1}$  holds for  $n$

Show  $\frac{d}{dx} x^{n+1} = (n+1)x^{(n+1)-1}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} x^{n+1} &= \frac{d}{dx} (x^n \cdot x) = \left( \frac{d}{dx} x^n \right) \cdot x + x^n \cdot \frac{d}{dx} x \\ &= nx^{n-1} \cdot x + x^n \cdot 1 = nx^n + x^n \\ &= (n+1)x^n \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \frac{d}{dx} x^n = nx^{n-1}$  holds for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^*$

# Alternate Proof with binomial theorem

$$(x+\Delta x)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^k \Delta x^{n-k}$$

$$= \Delta x^n + n x \Delta x^{n-1} + n(n-1) x^2 \Delta x^{n-2} + \dots + n x^{n-1} \Delta x + x^n$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} x^n = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+\Delta x)^n - x^n}{\Delta x} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta x^n + n x \Delta x^{n-1} + \dots + n x^{n-1} \Delta x + x^n - x^n}{\Delta x}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \Delta x^{n-1} + n x \Delta x^{n-2} + \dots + n(n-1) x^{n-2} \Delta x + n x^{n-1}$$

$$= n x^{n-1}$$

7) let  $x$  be even  $\Rightarrow \exists k \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow x = 2k$

$$x^2 = (2k)^2 = 2(2k^2) \quad \text{since } k \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow 2k^2 \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists n = 2k^2 \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow x^2 = 2n$$

$\therefore x^2$  is even

8)  $\Rightarrow$  let  $x$  be ~~even~~  $\Rightarrow \exists k \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow x = 2k$

$$\Rightarrow x+1 = 2k+1 \Rightarrow x+1 \text{ is odd}$$

$\Leftarrow$  let  $x+1$  be odd  $\Rightarrow \exists k \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow x+1 = 2k+1$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2k \Rightarrow x \text{ is even since } k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

9) let  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$x^2 + x = x(x+1)$$

① let  $x$  be odd  $\Rightarrow x+1$  is even

$$\Rightarrow \exists k \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow x+1 = 2k$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + x = x(2k) = 2(xk)$$

Since  $x, k \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow xk \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow x^2 + x$  is even

$$\textcircled{2} \text{ Let } x \text{ be even } \Rightarrow \exists k \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow x = 2k$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + x = 2k(x+1) = 2(k(x+1))$$

Since  $x, k \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow k(x+1) \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow x^2 + x$  is even

10) Let  $x$  be a rational  $\neq$  and  $y$  be an irrational  $\neq$

$\$$   $x+y$  is rational

then  $(x+y) - x$  is rational (since the rational  $\neq$ s are closed under addition)

$$\Rightarrow x+y-x = y \text{ is a rational } \neq \Rightarrow \Leftarrow$$

$\therefore x+y$  is not rational

$$\textcircled{11} \text{ } n=1 \quad \prod_{i=1}^1 a_i = a_1 = 0 \Rightarrow \exists k \in \{1\}, \text{ where } k=1 \text{ such that } a_k = a_1 = 0$$

$\$$  true for  $n$   $\therefore$  if  $\prod_{i=1}^n a_i = 0 \Rightarrow \exists k \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  where  $a_k = 0$

Consider if  $\prod_{i=1}^{n+1} a_i = 0$  then  $a_1 a_2 \dots a_n a_{n+1} = 0$

So either  $a_1 a_2 \dots a_n = 0$  or  $a_{n+1} = 0$

if  $a_{n+1} = 0$  then  $\exists k \in \{1, \dots, n+1\} \Rightarrow a_k = 0$

if  $a_{n+1} \neq 0$  then  $a_1 a_2 \dots a_n = 0$

and by the inductive hypothesis

$$\exists k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\} \Rightarrow a_k = 0$$

$$\therefore \exists k \in \{1, \dots, n+1\} \Rightarrow a_k = 0$$

and the result holds.

12) ① let  $x \leq 0$  then any  $y \neq 0$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 > x \quad \text{since } y^2 \geq 0 \quad \forall y \in \mathbb{R}$$

② let  $x > 0$

$$\text{consider } y = \sqrt{x} + 1$$

$$\text{then } y^2 = (\sqrt{x} + 1)^2 = x + 2\sqrt{x} + 1$$

$$\text{since } x > 0 \Rightarrow 2\sqrt{x} + 1 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = x + (2\sqrt{x} + 1) > x + 0 = x$$