Calculus 1

Appendices

A.2. Mathematical Induction—Examples and Proofs



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Example A.2.1 (solution)

Solution (continued). We have

$$(1+2+\dots+k) + (k+1)$$

$$= \left(\sum_{i=1}^{k} i\right) + (k+1)$$

$$= \left(\frac{k(k+1)}{2}\right) + (k+1) \text{ by the induction hypothesis}$$

$$= \frac{k(k+1)}{2} + \frac{2(k+1)}{2} = \frac{k(k+1) + 2(k+1)}{2} = \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2}$$

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Proof. First, we check the formula for n = 1. This gives $\frac{d}{dx}[u_1] = \frac{du_1}{dx}$, which holds. Notice also that $\frac{d}{dx}[u_1 + u_2] = \frac{du_1}{dx} + \frac{du_2}{dx}$ by the Derivative Sum Rule (Theorem 3.3.E), so that the result also holds for n = 2.

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holds for $n = 2$ functions
$$= \left(\frac{du_1}{dx} + \frac{du_2}{dx} + \dots + \frac{du_k}{dx}\right) + \frac{d}{dx}[u_{k+1}]$$
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$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} i^2 = 1^2 + 2^2 + \dots + n^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

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Exercise A.2.9 (continuous)

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$$= (1^{2} + 2^{2} + \dots + k^{2}) + (k+1)^{2}$$

$$= \left(\frac{k(k+1)(2k+1)}{6}\right) + (k+1)^{2} \text{ by the induction hypothesis}$$

$$= \frac{k(k+1)(2k+1)}{6} + \frac{6(k+1)^{2}}{6} = \frac{k(k+1)(2k+1) + 6(k+1)^{2}}{6}$$

$$= \frac{(k+1)(k(2k+1) + 6(k+1))}{6} = \frac{(k+1)(2k^{2} + k + 6k + 6)}{6}$$

$$= \frac{(k+1)(2k^{2} + 7k + 6)}{6} = \frac{(k+1)(k+2)(2k+3)}{6}$$

$$= \frac{(k+1)((k+1) + 1)(2(k+1) + 1)}{6} = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} \text{ where } n = k+1,$$

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$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} i^{3} = 1^{3} + 2^{3} + \dots + n^{3} = \left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right)^{2} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Solution. First, we check the formula for n = 1. This gives $1^3 = \left(\frac{(1)((1)+1)}{2}\right)^2 = 1^2$, which holds.

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Exercise A.2.10 (continued)

Solution. We have $1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k+1)^3$

$$= (1^{3} + 2^{3} + \dots + k^{3}) + (k+1)^{3}$$

$$= \left(\frac{k(k+1)}{2}\right)^{2} + (k+1)^{3} \text{ by the induction hypothesis}$$

$$= \left(\frac{k(k+1)}{2}\right)^{2} + \frac{4(k+1)^{3}}{4} = \frac{k^{2}(k+1)^{2} + 4(k+1)^{3}}{4}$$

$$= \frac{(k+1)^{2}(k^{2} + 4(k+1))}{4} = \frac{(k+1)^{2}(k^{2} + 4k + 4)}{4}$$

$$= \frac{(k+1)^{2}(k+2)^{2}}{4} = \frac{(k+1)^{2}((k+1)+1)^{2}}{4}$$

$$= \left(\frac{(k+1)((k+1)+1)}{2}\right)^{2} = \left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right)^{2} \text{ where } n = k+1,$$

so the result holds for n = k + 1 and, by the mathematical induction principle, the formula holds for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, as claimed.

Exercise A.2.11. Prove Theorem 5.2.A, "Algebra for Finite Sums."

Sum Rule:
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (a_i + b_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i + \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i$$
Difference Rule:
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (a_i - b_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i - \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i$$
Constant Multiple Rule:
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} ca_i = c \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i$$
Constant Value Rule:
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} c = nc$$

Exercise A.2.11 (continued 1)

Sum Rule:
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (a_i + b_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i + \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i$$

Solution. First, we check the formula for n = 1. This gives $(a_1 + b_1) = (a_1) + (b_1)$, which holds. Second, we assume the formula holds for n = k, so that we assume $\sum_{i=1}^{k} (a_i + b_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} a_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k} b_i$. We want to show that the formula also holds for n = k + 1. Consider $\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} (a_i + b_i) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{k} (a_i + b_i)\right) + (a_{k+1} + b_{k+1})$.

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Exercise A.2.11 (continued 2)

Solution (continued). We have $\sum (a_i + b_i)$ $= \left(\sum_{i=1}^{k} (a_i + b_i)\right) + (a_{k+1} + b_{k+1})$ $= \left(\sum_{i=1}^{k} a_{i} + \sum_{i=1}^{k} b_{i}\right) + (a_{k+1} + b_{k+1}) \text{ by the induction hypothesis}$ $= \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\kappa} a_i + a_{k+1}\right) + \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\kappa} b_i + b_{k+1}\right)$ by associativity and commutivity of addition in $\mathbb R$ k+1k+1 $= \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i + \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i + \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i \text{ where } n = k+1,$ so the result holds for n = k + 1 and, by the mathematical induction principle, the formula holds for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, as claimed.

Exercise A.2.11 (continued 3)

Difference Rule:
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (a_i - b_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i - \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i$$

Solution. First, we check the formula for n = 1. This gives $(a_1 - b_1) = (a_1) - (b_1)$, which holds. Second, we assume the formula holds for n = k, so that we assume $\sum_{i=1}^{k} (a_i - b_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} a_i - \sum_{i=1}^{k} b_i$. We want to show that the formula also holds for n = k + 1. Consider $\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} (a_i - b_i) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{k} (a_i - b_i)\right) + (a_{k+1} - b_{k+1})$.

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Exercise A.2.11 (continued 4)

Solution (continued). We have $\sum (a_i - b_i)$ $= \left(\sum_{i=1}^{k} (a_i - b_i)\right) + (a_{k+1} - b_{k+1})$ $=\left(\sum_{i=1}^{k}a_{i}-\sum_{i=1}^{k}b_{i}\right)+(a_{k+1}-b_{k+1})$ by the induction hypothesis $= \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\kappa} a_i + a_{k+1}\right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\kappa} b_i + b_{k+1}\right)$ by associativity and commutivity of addition in $\mathbb R$ k+1k+1 $= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} a_i - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} b_i = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} a_i - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} b_i \text{ where } n = k+1,$ so the result holds for n = k + 1 and, by the mathematical induction principle, the formula holds for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, as claimed.

Exercise A.2.11 (continued 5)

Constant Multiple Rule:
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} ca_i = c \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i$$

Solution. First, we check the formula for n = 1. This gives $(ca_1) = c(a_1)$, which holds. Second, we assume the formula holds for n = k, so that we assume $\sum_{i=1}^{k} ca_i = c \sum_{i=1}^{k} a_i$. We want to show that the formula also holds for n = k + 1. Consider $\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} ca_i = \sum_{i=1}^{k} ca_i + ca_{k+1}$.

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Exercise A.2.11. Proof of Theorem 5.2.A

Exercise A.2.11 (continued 6) Solution (continued). We have $\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} ca_i$ $= \sum_{i=1}^{k} ca_i + ca_{k+1}$

$$= c \sum_{i=1}^{k} a_i + ca_{k+1} \text{ by the induction hypothesis}$$

$$= c \left(\sum_{i=1}^{k} a_i + a_{k+1} \right) \text{ since multiplication distributes over addition in } \mathbb{R}$$

$$= c \left(\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} a_i \right) = c \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i \text{ where } n = k+1,$$

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Exercise A.2.11 (continued 7)

Constant Value Rule:
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} c = nc$$

Solution. First, we check the formula for n = 1. This gives (c) = 1c, which holds. Second, we assume the formula holds for n = k, so that we assume $\sum_{i=1}^{k} c = kc$. We want to show that the formula also holds for n = k + 1. Consider $\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} c = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{k} c\right) + c$.

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Exercise A.2.11 (continued 8)

Solution (continued). We have $\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} c^{i}$

$$= \left(\sum_{i=1}^{k} c\right) + c$$

- = kc + c by the induction hypothesis
- = (k+1)c since multiplication distributes over addition in $\mathbb R$
- = *nc* where n = k + 1,

so the result holds for n = k + 1 and, by the mathematical induction principle, the formula holds for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, as claimed.

Example A.2.B. General Product Rule

Example A.2.B. Prove the General Product Rule (see Exercise 3.3.77 for motivation of this result): For differentiable functions u_1, u_2, \ldots, u_n , we have that the derivative of the product $u_1u_2\cdots u_n$ exists and

$$\frac{d}{dx}[(u_1)(u_2)\cdots(u_n)] = [u'_1](u_2)(u_3)\cdots(u_{n-1})(u_n) \\
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Example A.2.B (continued 1)

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theorem as

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Example A.2.B (continued 3)

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$$= \sum_{j=1}^{k} u_{j}' \prod_{i=1, i \neq j}^{k+1} u_{i} + u_{k+1}' \prod_{i=1, i \neq k+1}^{k+1} u_{i}$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{k+1} u_{j} \prod_{i=1, i \neq j}^{k+1} u_{i} = \sum_{j=1}^{n} u_{j} \prod_{i=1, i \neq j}^{n} u_{i} \text{ where } n = k+1,$$

so the result holds for n = k + 1 and, by the mathematical induction principle, the formula holds for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, as claimed.