

MATH 451 HOMEWORK SET 12 (ADDITIONAL)

1. Let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x}, & \text{for } x \neq 0; \\ 0, & \text{for } x = 0. \end{cases}$$

Show that f is differentiable on \mathbb{R} , and f' is not continuous on \mathbb{R} .

2. (optional) True or False: Assume that f is a differentiable function on (a, b) . Then for any $\xi \in (a, b)$, there are $x_1, x_2 \in (a, b)$, such that $x_1 < \xi < x_2$, and

$$f'(\xi) = \frac{f(x_1) - f(x_2)}{x_1 - x_2}.$$

Hint: Consider $f(x) = x^3$, for $x \in (-1, 1)$. Draw the graph.