

Symmetric K-Derivatives

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Abstract

Using a two variable kernel $K(s, t)$, a new kind of symmetric derivative is defined for a function so that it coincides with symmetric Laplace derivative by taking a particular kernel $K(s, t) = e^{-st}$. Some basic properties of this new derivative are studied.

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1 Introduction

Laplace derivative was introduced by Sevtic in [10]. Later many authors studied Laplace derivative in [4], [5], [7], [8], [9]. Symmetric Laplace derivative was introduced in [1] and it was shown that symmetric Laplace derivative is a generalization of symmetric d.l.V.P. derivative [2]. Also the properties of symmetric Laplace derivative are discussed there. A brief discussion on Laplace derivative and symmetric Laplace derivative can be found in the book of Mukhopadhyay [6]. In the definitions of both the derivatives author used e^{-st} as the Kernel. The definition of K -derivative is given in [4] using the kernel $K(s, t)$. In this article, we introduce symmetric K - derivative and show that symmetric K -derivative is a generalisation of symmetric d.l.V.P. derivative, also it is shown that symmetric K -derivative shares many properties of symmetric d.l.V.P. derivative. To prove the analogous properties of symmetric K - derivative we used same procedure of [1] with suitable modifications.

2 Definitions and Notations

Definition 2.1. *Let $K : [0, \infty) \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a positive continuous function which satisfies the following conditions:*

- (i) $K(s, t)$ has bounded partial derivative with respect to t .
 - (ii) $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^{n+1} K(s, t) = 0, \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^{n+1} \frac{\partial K}{\partial t} = 0$ for all n and for any t .
 - (iii) $\int_0^\delta K(s, t)t^p dt = p!s^{-p-1} + o(1)$ as $s \rightarrow \infty$.
- We call $K(s, t)$ a kernel function.

Definition 2.2. Let f be special Denjoy integrable function in some neighbourhood of x , then f is said to have n -th order right hand K -derivative at x if there are real numbers $\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ such that

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^{n+1} \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[f(x+t) - \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{t^i}{i!} \alpha_i \right] dt = 0$$

for some kernel $K(s, t)$ and a fixed $\delta > 0$. α_n is called the right hand n -th order K -derivative of f at x and is denoted by $KD_n^+ f(x)$.

Similarly, the left hand n -th order K -derivative of f at x can be defined and is denoted by $KD_n^- f(x)$. f is said to have n -th order left hand K -derivative at x if there are real numbers $\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_n$ such that

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^n s^{n+1} \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[f(x-t) - \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{(-t)^i}{i!} \beta_i \right] dt = 0$$

for some kernel $K(s, t)$ and a fixed $\delta > 0$. Then β_n is called the left hand n -th order K -derivative of f at x and is denoted by $KD_n^- f(x)$.

If $KD_i^+ f(x) = KD_i^- f(x)$ for $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ then f is said to have n -th order left hand K -derivative at x and it is denoted by $KD_n f(x)$.

Definition 2.3. Let f be special Denjoy integrable function in some neighbourhood of x , then f is said to have symmetric K -derivative of order $2n$ at x if there are real numbers $\alpha_0, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{2n}$ such that

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^{2n+1} \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) + f(x-t)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{t^{2i}}{(2i)!} \alpha_{2i} \right] dt = 0$$

for some kernel $K(s, t)$ and a fixed $\delta > 0$. Then α_{2n} is called the symmetric K -derivative of f of order $2n$ at x and is denoted by $SKD_{2n} f(x)$.

The symmetric K -derivative of f of order $(2n + 1)$ at x can be defined as, f is said to have the symmetric K -derivative of order $(2n + 1)$ at x if there are real numbers $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_{2n+1}$ such that

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^{2n+2} \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) - f(x-t)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{t^{2i+1}}{(2i+1)!} \beta_{2i+1} \right] dt = 0$$

for some kernel $K(s, t)$ and a fixed $\delta > 0$. Then β_{2n+1} is called the symmetric K -derivative of f of order $(2n + 1)$ at x and is denoted by $SKD_{2n+1} f(x)$.

Note 2.4. The above definition is independent of δ .

Proof: Let for $0 < \delta_1 < \delta_2$,

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^{2n+1} \int_0^{\delta_1} K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) + f(x-t)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{t^{2i}}{(2i)!} SKD_{2i} f(x) \right] dt$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^{2n+1} \int_0^{\delta_2} K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) + f(x-t)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{t^{2i}}{(2i)!} SKD_{2i}f(x) \right] dt \\
 & = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^{2n+1} \int_{\delta_1}^{\delta_2} K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) + f(x-t)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{t^{2i}}{(2i)!} SKD_{2i}f(x) \right] dt \\
 & = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^{2n+1} K(s, \delta_2) \int_{\delta_1}^{\delta_2} \left[\frac{f(x+t) + f(x-t)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{t^{2i}}{(2i)!} SKD_{2i}f(x) \right] dt \\
 & - \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^{2n+1} \int_{\delta_1}^{\delta_2} \frac{\partial K}{\partial t} \int_{\delta_1}^t \left[\frac{f(x+\xi) + f(x-\xi)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{\xi^{2i}}{(2i)!} SKD_{2i}f(x) \right] d\xi dt \\
 & = 0, \\
 & \text{as } \left[\frac{f(x+\xi) + f(x-\xi)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{\xi^{2i}}{(2i)!} SKD_{2i}f(x) \right] \text{ is continuous for all } n \text{ and for any } t, \text{ given in Definition 2.1.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Analogously, it can be shown that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^{2n+2} \int_0^{\delta_1} K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) - f(x-t)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{t^{2i+1}}{(2i+1)!} SKD_{2i+1}f(x) \right] dt \\
 & = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^{2n+2} \int_0^{\delta_2} K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) - f(x-t)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{t^{2i+1}}{(2i+1)!} SKD_{2i+1}f(x) \right] dt.
 \end{aligned}$$

Definition 2.5. A function f is said to be Smooth of order $(2n + 2)$ w. r. t kernel $K(s, t)$ if $SKD_{2n}f(x)$ exists and

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^{2n+2} \int_0^\delta \left[\frac{f(x+t) + f(x-t)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^n \left[\frac{\xi^{2i}}{(2i)!} SKD_{2i}f(x) \right] \right] = 0.$$

A function f is said to be Smooth of order $(2n + 1)$ w. r. t kernel $K(s, t)$ if $SKD_{2n-1}f(x)$ exists and

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^{2n+1} \int_0^\delta \left[\frac{f(x+t) - f(x-t)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{\xi^{2i+1}}{(2i+1)!} SKD_{2i+1}f(x) \right] = 0.$$

Note 2.6. *i)* If $K(s, t) = e^{-st}M(s, t)$ where $M(s, t)$ is a positive, continuous function and it satisfies the three conditions given in Definition 2. 1, then $K(s, t)$ is a kernel satisfying Definition 2. 1 and symmetric K -derivative of an integrable function f can be defined w. r. t . this kernel $K(s, t)$.

ii) Symmetric Laplace derivative is a special type of symmetric K -derivative.

3 Properties of the Derivative

Lemma 3.1. Let $g(t)$ is continuous in right neighborhood N of zero and if $g(t) \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow 0+$ then

$$s \int_0^\delta K(s, t)g(t)dt \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } s \rightarrow \infty.$$

Proof: Let $\epsilon > 0$ be arbitrary. Since $g(t) \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow 0+$ then there exists $\delta_1 (> 0), \delta_1 \in N$ such that $|g(t)| < \epsilon$ for $0 < t < \delta_1$. Therefore,

$$\left| s \int_0^{\delta_1} K(s, t)g(t)dt \right| \leq \epsilon \left| s \int_0^{\delta_1} K(s, t)dt \right| \leq \epsilon.$$

Let $\delta_1 < \delta$ and $\delta \in N$ now as before,

$$s \int_{\delta_1}^{\delta} K(s, t)g(t)dt \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } s \rightarrow \infty.$$

Hence $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \left| \int_0^{\delta} K(s, t)g(t)dt \right| < \epsilon$, and δ is independent of ϵ . Since ϵ is arbitrary our result is proved.

Remark 3.2. Let $KD_n f(x)$ exists then $SKD_n f(x)$ exists with equal value. In fact

$$SKD_n f(x) = \frac{KD_n^+ f(x) + KD_n^- f(x)}{2}.$$

Theorem 3.3. Let $f:(a, b) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be integrable and $x_0 \in (a, b)$. If $SKD_{2n} f(x_0)$ exists with associated real numbers $\alpha_0, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{2n-2}$ then

$$\alpha_{2i} = SKD_{2i} f(x_0)$$

for $i = 0, 1, \dots, n - 1$.

Proof: $SKD_{2n} f(x_0) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^{2n+1} \int_0^{\delta} K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x_0 + t) + f(x_0 - t)}{2} - f(x_0) \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{t^{2i}}{(2i)!} \alpha_{2i} \right] dt$

Let $1 \leq m < n$ and $\epsilon(s)$ be such that $\epsilon(s) \rightarrow 0$ as $s \rightarrow \infty$ and

$$\begin{aligned} SKD_{2n} f(x_0) + \epsilon(s) &= s^{2n+1} \int_0^{\delta} K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x_0 + t) + f(x_0 - t)}{2} - f(x_0) \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{t^{2i}}{(2i)!} \alpha_{2i} \right] dt \\ &= s^{2n+1} \int_0^{\delta} K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x_0 + t) + f(x_0 - t)}{2} - f(x_0) \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \frac{t^{2i}}{(2i)!} \alpha_{2i} \right] dt \\ &\quad - s^{2n+1} f(x_0) \int_0^{\delta} K(s, t) \left[\frac{t^{2m}}{(2m)!} \alpha_{2m} \right] dt - s^{2n+1} f(x_0) \int_0^{\delta} K(s, t) \left[\sum_{i=m+1}^{n-1} \frac{t^{2i}}{(2i)!} \alpha_{2i} \right] dt \end{aligned}$$

Dividing both side by $s^{2(n-m)}$ and letting $s \rightarrow \infty$ by Lemma 3. 1 we get

$$SKD_{2m} f(x_0) - \alpha_{2m} = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^{2n+1} f(x_0) \int_0^{\delta} K(s, t) \left[\sum_{i=m+1}^{n-1} \frac{t^{2i}}{(2i)!} \alpha_{2i} \right] dt = 0.$$

Hence, $SKD_{2m} f(x_0) = \alpha_{2m}$.

For $\alpha_0 = f(x_0)$ we consider

$$SKD_2 f(x_0) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^3 \int_0^{\delta} K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x_0 + t) + f(x_0 - t) - 2\alpha_0}{2} \right] dt$$

So,

$$SKD_2 f(x_0) + \epsilon_1(s) = s^3 \int_0^{\delta} K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x_0 + t) + f(x_0 - t) - 2\alpha_0}{2} \right] dt,$$

where $\epsilon_1(s) \rightarrow 0$ as $s \rightarrow \infty$. Thus,

$$\frac{SKD_2 f(x_0)}{s^2} + \frac{\epsilon_1(s)}{s^2} = s \int_0^{\delta} K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x_0 + t) + f(x_0 - t) - 2\alpha_0}{2} \right] dt.$$

So,

$$s \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x_0 + t) + f(x_0 - t) - 2\alpha_0}{2} \right] dt \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } s \rightarrow \infty. \dots \dots (1)$$

Since f is continuous at x_0 , we have $\left[\frac{f(x_0+t)+f(x_0-t)-2\alpha_0}{2} \right] \rightarrow 0$ as $s \rightarrow \infty$ and from Lemma 3. 1,

$$s \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x_0 + t) + f(x_0 - t) - 2\alpha_0}{2} \right] dt \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } s \rightarrow \infty. \dots \dots (2)$$

Subtracting (1) from (2) we get

$$s \int_0^\delta K(s, t) [f(x_0) - \alpha_0] dt \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } s \rightarrow \infty.$$

Thus,

$$f(x_0) - \alpha_0 \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } s \rightarrow \infty.$$

Hence, $f(x_0) = \alpha_0$.

The proof for odd case is analogous.

Theorem 3.4. *Let f be a function integrable in $[a, b]$ and $x \in (a, b)$, then*

$$\underline{SD}_r f^+(x) \leq \underline{SKD}_r^+ f(x) \leq \overline{SKD}_r^+ f(x) \leq \overline{SD}_r f^+(x),$$

where $\underline{SD}_r f(x)$ is symmetric lower d. l. V. P derivative of f of order r at x and $\overline{SD}_r f(x)$ is symmetric upper d. l. V. P derivative of f of order r at x .

Proof: Let $r = 2n$ be even, we prove only the right inequality $\overline{SKD}_{2n}^+ f(x) \leq \overline{SD}_{2n} f^+(x)$, the rest is similar. If $\overline{SD}_{2n} f^+(x) = \infty$ the proof is clear.

Thus we suppose that $\overline{SD}_n f^+(x) < M$ for some $M > 0$. So there exists $\delta > 0$ satisfying

$$\left[\frac{f(x+t)+f(x-t)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{t^{2i}}{(2i)!} SD_{2i} f(x) \right] < M \frac{t^{2n}}{(2n)!} \text{ for } 0 < t < \delta.$$

Hence,

$$s^{2n+1} \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x + t) + f(x - t)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{t^{2i}}{(2i)!} f_{(2i)}(x) \right] dt < M \frac{s^{2n+1}}{(2n)!} \int_0^\delta K(s, t) t^{2n} dt.$$

Letting $s \rightarrow \infty$, we get $\overline{SKD}_{2n} f(x) \leq M$.

Since M is arbitrary upper bound of $\overline{SD}f_{2n}^+(x)$, we have

$$\overline{SD}_{2n}^+ f(x) \leq \overline{SKD}_{(2n)}^+ f(x).$$

The proof for Odd case is similar.

Remark 3.5. *If $SDf^n(x)$ exists where $\underline{SD}f^r(x)$ is symmetric d. l. V. P derivative of f of order r at x then $SKD_n f(x)$ exists with equal value.*

The converse is not necessarily true. It can be shown with an example.

Let $f(x) = \sin \frac{1}{x^2}$ if $x > 0$,

$-\sin \frac{1}{x^2}$ if $x < 0$,

0 if $x = 0$.

Then $SD_1 f(0)$ does not exist, as $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \cos \frac{1}{t^2}$ does not exist. But

$$s^2 \int_0^\delta e^{-st} \cos \frac{1}{t^2} dt \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } s \rightarrow \infty.$$

Then $SKD_1 f(0) = 0$ with respect to kernel $K(s, t) = e^{-st}$.

Lemma 3.6. Let f is smooth of order two at x w. r. t kernel $K(s, t)$ then

$$\overline{KD}_1^+ f(x) = \overline{KD}_1^- f(x), \underline{KD}_1^+ f(x) = \underline{KD}_1^- f(x).$$

Proof: $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^2 \int_0^\delta K(s, t) [f(x+t) - f(x)] dt + \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^2 \int_0^\delta K(s, t) [f(x-t) - f(x)] dt$
 $= \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^2 \int_0^\delta K(s, t) [f(x+t) + f(x-t) - 2f(x)] dt = 0,$

implies proof of the lemma.

Lemma 3.7. Let f is maximum at x and smooth of order two at x w. r. t kernel $K(s, t)$ then $KD_1 f(x)$ exists and $KD_1 f(x) = 0$.

Proof: Since f is maximum at x , there exists $\delta > 0$ such that

$$f(x+t) \leq f(x), f(x-t) \leq f(x) \text{ whenever } 0 \leq t < \delta.$$

Thus for any s ,

$$s^2 \int_0^\delta K(s, t) [f(x+t) - f(x)] dt \leq 0.$$

So,

$$\limsup_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^2 \int_0^\delta K(s, t) [f(x+t) - f(x)] dt \leq 0, \text{ implies } \overline{KD}_1^+ f(x) \leq 0.$$

Again for any s ,

$$s^2 \int_0^\delta K(s, t) [f(x-t) - f(x)] dt \leq 0.$$

Hence,

$$(-1)s^2 \int_0^\delta K(s, t) [f(x-t) - f(x)] dt \geq 0.$$

So,

$$\liminf_{s \rightarrow \infty} (-1)s^2 \int_0^\delta K(s, t) [f(x-t) - f(x)] dt \geq 0, \text{ implies } \underline{KD}_1^- f(x) \leq 0.$$

Therefore, $\overline{KD}_1^+ f(x) \leq 0 \leq \underline{KD}_1^- f(x)$.

By Lemma 3. 6, the proof is completed.

Theorem 3.8. Let $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be such that

(i) f is continuous on (a, b) .

(ii) $\overline{SKD}_2 f(x) \geq 0$ for all $x \in (a, b)/N$ where N is a countable subset of (a, b) .

(iii) f is smooth of order two on (a, b) w. r. t same kernel.

Then f is convex on (a, b) .

Proof: $\overline{SKD}_2 f(x) \geq 0$ for all $x \in (a, b)/N$ where N is a countable subset of (a, b) , so by theorem 3. 4, $\overline{SD}_2 f(x) > 0$ for all $x \in (a, b) - N$ and also suppose that f is not convex on (a, b) . So there is m_0 and c such that $g(x) = f(x) + m_0x + c$ has a maximum at some point $z \in (a, b)$. For sufficiently small $\epsilon (> 0)$ every number $m \in (m_0 - \epsilon, m_0 + \epsilon)$ has again the same property. For each $m \in (m_0 - \epsilon, m_0 + \epsilon)$ let z_m be the largest of all possible maximum. So there exist $\delta (> 0)$ such that $g(z_m + t) + g(z_m - t) - 2g(z_m) \leq 0$ for all $t \in (0, \delta)$. Hence for all $s > 0$,

$$s^3 \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[\frac{g(z_m + t) + g(z_m - t) - 2g(z_m)}{2} \right] dt \leq 0.$$

Therefore $\overline{SKD}_2 g(z_m) \leq 0$ and so $\overline{SKD}_2 f(z_m) \leq 0$. Hence $z_m \in N$. Since $f(x)$ is K-smooth of order two at z_m so is $g(x)$ and $g(x)$ is maximum at z_m , so by Lemma $\overline{SKD}_2 g(z_m) = 0$. This implies $\overline{SKD}_2 f(z_m) = -m$. Thus for each choice of $m \in (m_0 - \epsilon, m_0 + \epsilon)$ we have $\overline{SKD}_2 f(z_m) = -m$. This establish a one-one correspondence between each $m \in (m_0 - \epsilon, m_0 + \epsilon)$ and $z_m \in N$, which contradicts the countability of N . So f is convex on (a, b) .

Corollary 3.9. Let $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be such that

- (i) f is continuous on (a, b) .
- (ii) $\overline{SKD}_2 f(x) = 0$ for all $x \in (a, b)/N$ where N is a countable subset of (a, b) .
- (iii) f is smooth of order two on (a, b) w. r. t same kernel.

Then f is linear on (a, b) .

Theorem 3.10. Let $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be continuous on (a, b) and $\overline{SKD}_1 f(x) \geq 0$ for all $x \in (a, b)/N$ where N is a countable subset of (a, b) and kernel is $K(s, t)$ then f is non-decreasing on (a, b) .

Proof: Let $c \in (a, b)$ and let $F(x) = \int_c^x f(x)dx$. Therefore $F'(x)$ exists on (a, b) and $F'(x) = f(x)$ for all $x \in (a, b)$.

So for each $s > 0$ and for fixed $\delta > 0$ with $a < x - \delta < x + \delta < b$ the integral

$$\begin{aligned} & s^3 \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[\frac{F(x+t) + F(x-t) - 2F(x)}{2} \right] dt \\ &= s^2 \left[\frac{F(x+t) + F(x-t) - 2F(x)}{2} \right] \frac{K(s, \delta)}{-1} + s^2 \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) - f(x-t)}{2} \right] dt \end{aligned}$$

Taking lim sup as $s \rightarrow \infty$ we get $\overline{SKD}_2 F(x) = \overline{SKD}_1 f(x)$.

Hence by Theorem 3. 8, the function $F(x)$ is convex so $F'(x) = f(x)$ is non- decreasing on (a, b) .

Corollary 3.11. Let $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be continuous on (a, b) and $\overline{SKD}_1 f(x) = 0$ for all $x \in (a, b)/N$ where N is a countable subset of (a, b) then f is constant on (a, b) .

Corollary 3.12. Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be continuous on (a, b) and $\overline{SKD}_1 f(x)$ exists in (a, b) then there are points ξ_1 and ξ_2 in (a, b) such that

$$\overline{SKD}_1 f(\xi_1) \leq \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} \leq \overline{SKD}_1 f(\xi_2).$$

Proof: Let $k = \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a}$.

If possible suppose that there does not exist any $\xi \in (a, b)$ such that $\overline{SKD}_1 f(\xi) \leq k$. Let $g(x) = f(x) - k(x - a)$. Then $\overline{SKD}_1 g(x)$ exists in (a, b) and $\overline{SKD}_1 g(x) > 0$ in (a, b) . Therefore $g(x)$ is increasing in $[a, b]$. So $g(b) > g(a)$ and $\overline{SKD}_1 f(\xi_1) > k$ which contradicts our assumption. So there exists ξ_1 in (a, b) such that

$$\overline{SKD}_1 f(\xi_1) \leq \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a}.$$

Similarly it can be proved that there exists ξ_2 in (a, b) such that

$$\frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} \leq \overline{SKD}_1 f(\xi_2).$$

Therefore our result is proved.

Lemma 3.13. *If $f^{(n-2)}$ and $SKD_n f$ exist at $x \in (a, b)$ then for all $i = 2, 3, \dots, n - 1$, $SKD_i(f^{(n-i)})$ exist at $x \in (a, b)$ and equals to $SKD_n f(x)$.*

Proof: The proof is shown for odd n and the proof of even n will be similar.

Let $n = 2m + 1$ and for a $\delta > 0$ let us define

$$I_{2m+1}(f, x) = s^{2m+2} \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) + f(x-t)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \frac{t^{2i+1}}{(2i+1)!} f^{(2i+1)}(x) \right] dt.$$

Integrating by parts we obtain

$$I_{2m+1}(f, x) = -s^{2m+1} K(s, \delta) \left[\frac{f(x+\delta) + f(x-\delta)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \frac{\delta^{2i+1}}{(2i+1)!} f^{(2i+1)}(x) \right] + s^{2m+1} \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[\frac{f'(x+t) + f'(x-t)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \frac{t^{2i+1}}{(2i+1)!} (f')^{(2i)}(x) \right] dt.$$

Therefore, $SKD_{2m+1} f(x) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} I_{2m+1}(f, x) = I_{2m}(f', x)$.

The process after $(2m - k + 1)$ time ($k > 1$) repetition gives

$$SKD_{2m+1} f(x) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} I_k(f^{(2m-k+1)}, x) = SKD_k(f^{(2m-k+1)})(x).$$

This completes the proof .

Lemma 3.14. *If $f^{(n-2)}$ exists at $x \in (a, b)$ and f is K -smooth w. r. t a kernel $K(s, t)$ of order n at x for all $k = 2, 3, \dots, n - 1$, $f^{(n-k)}$ is K -smooth w. r. t $K(s, t)$ of order k at x .*

It's proof is similar to the proof of Lemma 3. 13.

Theorem 3.15. *Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a function such that*

- (i) $f^{(n-2)}$ exists in (a, b) ,
- (ii) $\overline{SKD}_2 f(x) \geq 0$ for all $x \in (a, b) - E$ where E is a countable subset of (a, b) .
- (iii) f is smooth of order n on E w. r. t same kernel.

Then $f^{(n-2)}$ is convex on (a, b) .

Proof: From Lemma 3. 13 it can be observed that $\overline{SKD}_n f(x) = \overline{SKD}_2 f^{(n-2)}(x)$ for $x \in (a, b)$. Also by Lemma 3. 14, $f^{(n-2)}$ is smooth of order two at each x in E . Hence by Theorem , $f^{(n-2)}$ is convex on (a, b) .

Lemma 3.16. *Let f be continuous in (a, b) , $SKD_1 f(x)$ exists and is continuous on (a, b) then f' exists on (a, b) with equal value.*

Proof: Let

$$F(x) = \int_a^x SKD_1 f(t) dt.$$

Thus $F'(x) = SKD_1 f(x)$ for all $x \in (a, b)$.

Suppose $\phi = f - F$, then $SKD_1 \phi(x) = SKD_1 f(x) - F'(x) = 0$ for all $x \in (a, b)$.

By Corollary 3.11, we get that ϕ is constant. Since $F'(x)$ exists in (a, b) , $f'(x)$ exists on (a, b) and $f'(x) = F'(x) = SKD_1 f(x)$ for all $x \in (a, b)$.

Theorem 3.17. *Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ is continuous and let $SKD_{2k-1} f(x)$ exists for $k = 1, 2, \dots, m$ and are continuous on (a, b) . Then $f^{(2m-1)}$ exists and $SKD_{2m-1} f = f^{(2m-1)}$ in (a, b) .*

Proof: From Lemma 3. 16 it can be concluded that the theorem is true for $m = 1$. Let it be true for $m = n$, so $f^{(2n-1)}$ and $f^{(2n-1)}(x) = SKD_{2n-1} f(x)$. We prove it for $m = n + 1$. Let

$$F(x) = \int_a^x dt \int_a^t SKD_{2n+1} f(x) dx.$$

Since $SKD_{2n+1} f(x)$ is continuous in (a, b) , $F''(x) = SKD_{2n+1} f(x)$.

Let $\sigma = f^{(2n-1)} - F$. So by lemma 3. 13, $SKD_2 \sigma = SKD_2 (f^{(2n-1)}) - F'' = 0$.

Therefore σ is linear and so $f^{(2n+1)}$ exists and $F''(x) = f^{(2n+1)}(x)$ for all x in (a, b) . Hence $SKD_{2n+1} f(x) = f^{(2n+1)}(x)$ in (a, b) , which shows that the theorem is true for $m = n + 1$. By Induction the theorem is proved.

Theorem 3.18. *Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ is continuous and let $SKD_{2k} f(x)$ exists for $k = 1, 2, \dots, m$ and are continuous on (a, b) . Then $f^{(2m)}$ exists and $SKD_{2m} f = f^{(2m)}$ in (a, b) .*

The proof is similar to the previous proof of odd case.

4 Baire 1 and Baire * 1 property of the derivative

Lemma 4.1. *Let $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be continuous and let $E \subset (a, b)$. Let $SKD_{2i} f(x)$ exist finitely on E and let $SKD_{2i} f(x)/E$ is continuous for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Let $c \in E$ be a limit point of E . Let $(c - 3\delta, c + 3\delta) \subset (a, b)$. If*

$$F(x) = \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) + f(x-t)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{t^{2i}}{(2i)!} SKD_{2i} f(x) \right] dt,$$

for $x \in (c - 3\delta, c + 3\delta) \cap E$. Then $\lim_{x \rightarrow c, x \in E} F(x) = F(c)$.

Proof: Let $\psi(x, t) = K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) + f(x-t)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{t^{2i}}{(2i)!} SKD_{2i}f(x) \right]$.

It is easy to verify that $\psi(x, t)$ is continuous on $E \times [0, \delta]$. Hence $F(x)/E$ is continuous. Therefore,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c, x \in E} = F(c).$$

Theorem 4.2. Let $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be continuous and let $Q \subset E \subset (a, b)$. Let $SKD_{n-2}f(x)$ exists finitely on E and let $SKD_n f(x) > \infty$ and $SKD_n f(x) < \infty$ for $x \in Q$. Then there exists a sequence Q_k such that $Q \subset Q_k \subset E, Q_k$ is closed relative to E , for each k and $SKD_i f(x)/Q_k$ is continuous for $i = n - 2, n - 4, \dots$, and $k = 1, 2, \dots$.

Proof: We prove the result for $n = 3$ and then use mathematical induction to prove the theorem. Let $\delta > 0$ be fixed number. For each positive integer k define

$$E_k = \{x \in E : s^4 \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) - f(x-t)}{2} - tSKD_1f(x) \right] dt > k \text{ and}$$

$$s^4 \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) - f(x-t)}{2} - tSKD_1f(x) \right] dt < k \text{ for } s > k\}.$$

Let $Q_k = \overline{E_k}$ where $\overline{E_k}$ is the closure of E_k relative to E . Then $Q \subset \cup_{k=1}^\infty Q_k \subset E$. We are to prove that $SKD_1f(x)/Q_k$ is continuous for $k = 1, 2, \dots$. Let $c \in Q_k$ be such that c is a limit point of Q_k . Let $x \in E_k$ then

$$s^4 \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) - f(x-t)}{2} - tSKD_1f(x) \right] dt > k \text{ for } s > k.$$

So we have for $s > k$

$$s^4 \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) - f(x-t)}{2} \right] dt > s^4 \int_0^\delta K(s, t) [tSKD_1f(x)] dt - k \text{ for } s > k. \\ = [s^2 + o(1)] SKD_1f(x)k.$$

Dividing both side by s^2 we get

$$s^2 \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) - f(x-t)}{2} \right] dt > SKD_1f(x) \left[1 + o\left(\frac{1}{s^2}\right) \right] \frac{k}{s^2} \text{ for } s > k.$$

Letting $x \rightarrow c$ through E_k we get since f is continuous and $o(\frac{1}{s^2})$ is independent of x ,

$$s^2 \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(c+t) - f(c-t)}{2} \right] dt \geq \limsup_{x \rightarrow c, x \in E_k} SKD_1f(x) \left[1 + o\left(\frac{1}{s^2}\right) \right] \frac{k}{s^2} \text{ for } s > k.$$

Letting $s \rightarrow \infty$ we get

$$SKD_1f(c) \geq \limsup_{x \rightarrow c, x \in E_k} SKD_1f(x). \dots (A)$$

Again for $x \in E_k$,

$$s^4 \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) - f(x-t)}{2} - tSKD_1f(x) \right] dt < k \text{ for } s > k.$$

Therefore,

$$s^4 \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) - f(x-t)}{2} \right] dt < s^4 \int_0^\delta K(s, t) [tSKD_1f(x)] dt + k \\ = [s^2 + o(1)] SKD_1f(x) + k.$$

Dividing both side by s^2 we get

$$s^2 \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) - f(x-t)}{2} \right] dt < \left[1 + o\left(\frac{1}{s^2}\right) \right] SKD_1f(x) + \frac{k}{s^2}.$$

Letting $x \rightarrow c$ through E_k we get since f is continuous

$$s^2 \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(c+t) - f(c-t)}{2} \right] dt \leq \liminf_{x \rightarrow c, x \in E_k} SKD_1f(x) + \frac{k}{s^2}$$

Letting $s \rightarrow \infty$ we get

$$SKD_1f(c) \leq \liminf_{x \rightarrow c, x \in E_k} SKD_1f(x). \dots (B).$$

From (A) and (B) we get

$$SKD_1f(c) \doteq \lim_{x \rightarrow c, x \in E_k} SKD_1f(x).$$

If possible suppose that

$$SKD_1f(c) = \liminf_{x \rightarrow c, x \in E_k} < SKD_1f(c). \dots (C)$$

Choose l such that $\liminf_{x \rightarrow c, x \in E_k} < l < SKD_1f(c)$. Therefore there is a neighbourhood G of c in which there exists no point $x_0 \in E_k$ such that $SKD_1f(x_0) < l$ though there is $x_1 \in Q_k \cap G$ satisfying $SKD_1f(x_1) < l$. Obviously x_1 is a limit point of Q_k . So from a relation similar to (B) replacing c by x_1 we get

$$l > SKD_1f(x_1) = \liminf_{x \rightarrow x_1, x \in E_k} SKD_1f(x),$$

implies that there are points $x_0 \in E_k \cap G$ such that $SKD_1f(x_0) < l$, which is a contradiction. Therefore (C) is not possible and thus

$$\liminf_{x \rightarrow c, x \in Q_k} SKD_1f(x) \geq SKD_1f(c).$$

Analogously it can be proved that,

$$\limsup_{x \rightarrow c, x \in Q_k} SKD_1f(x) \leq SKD_1f(c).$$

So,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c, x \in Q_k} SKD_1f(x) = SKD_1f(c)..$$

Since $Q \subset Q_k \subset E$ the theorem is true for $n = 3$. Now suppose that $n > 3$ and n is odd. Let the theorem is true for $n = 2m + 1$. We prove the theorem for $n = 2m + 3$. Let the hypothesis of the theorem is hold for $n = 2m + 3$. Then $SKD_{2m+1}f(x)$ exist finitely for $x \in E$ and $SKD_{2m+3}f(x) > \infty$ and $SKD_{2m+3} < \infty$ for $x \in Q$. Since the theorem is true for $n = 2m + 1$, there is a sequence of sets P_r such that Pr is closed relative to E for each $r, Q \subset P_r \subset E$ and $SKD_{2i+1}f(x)/Pr$ is continuous for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, m - 1$ and $r = 1, 2, \dots$.

For each pair of positive integers k, r let

$$E_{kr} = \{x \in Q \cap P_r : s^{2m+4} \int_0^\delta K(s, t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) - f(x-t)}{2} \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{t^{2i+1}}{(2i+1)!} SKD_{2i+1}f(x) \right] dt > -k$$

and $s^{2m+4} \int_0^\delta K(s,t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) - f(x-t)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{t^{2i+1}}{(2i+1)!} SKD_{2i+1}f(x) \right] dt < k$ for $s > k$. . . (D)

Let $T_{kr} = \overline{E_{kr}}$, where E_{kr} is the closure of E_{kr} relative to E . Clearly $Q \subset \bigcup_k \bigcup_r T_{kr} \subset E$. We show that $SKD_{2m+1}f(x)/T_{kr}$ is continuous in each T_{kr} . Let $\xi \in T_{kr}$ be such that ξ is a limit point of T_{kr} . Let $x \in T_{kr}$ then by (D)

$$s^{2m+4} \int_0^\delta K(s,t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) - f(x-t)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{t^{2i+1}}{(2i+1)!} SKD_{2i+1}f(x) \right] dt > k$$
 for $s > k$.

So , for $s > k$ we have

$$s^{2m+4} \int_0^\delta K(s,t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) - f(x-t)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \frac{t^{2i+1}}{(2i+1)!} SKD_{2i+1}f(x) \right] dt > s^{2m+4} \int_0^\delta K(s,t) \frac{t^{2m+1}}{(2m+1)!} SKD_{2m+1}f(x) dt = SKD_{2m+1}f(x) [s^2 + o(1)] - k .$$

Dividing both side by s^2 we get,

$$s^{2m+2} \int_0^\delta K(s,t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) - f(x-t)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \frac{t^{2i+1}}{(2i+1)!} SKD_{2i+1}f(x) \right] dt > SKD_{2m+1}f(x) \left[1 + o\left(\frac{1}{s^2}\right) \right] - \frac{k}{s^2} .$$

for $s > k$. Since f is continuous and $SKD_{2m+1}f(x)/P_r$ is continuous for $i = 0, 1, \dots, m - 1$, letting $x \rightarrow \xi$ through E_{kr} we have ,

$$s^{2m+2} \int_0^\delta K(s,t) \left[\frac{f(\xi+t) - f(\xi-t)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \frac{t^{2i+1}}{(2i+1)!} SKD_{2i+1}f(\xi) \right] dt \geq \limsup_{x \rightarrow \xi, x \in E_{kr}} SKD_{2m+1}f(x) \left[1 + o\left(\frac{1}{s^2}\right) \right] - \frac{k}{s^2}$$

for $s > k$. Letting $s \rightarrow \infty$ We have

$$SKD_{2m+1}f(\xi) \geq \limsup_{x \rightarrow \xi, x \in E_{kr}} SKD_{2m+1}f(x) (E)$$

Again for $x \in E_{kr}$,

$$s^{2m+4} \int_0^\delta K(s,t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) - f(x-t)}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^m \frac{t^{2i+1}}{(2i+1)!} SKD_{2i+1}f(x) \right] dt < k$$

for $s > k$. Then proceeding in a similar manner as above we get

$$SKD_{2m+1}f(\xi) \leq \liminf_{x \rightarrow \xi, x \in E_{kr}} SKD_{2m+1}f(x) (F)$$

From (E) and (F) we get

$$SKD_{2m+1}f(\xi) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \xi, x \in E_{kr}} SKD_{2m+1}f(x).$$

Approching as in case for $n = 3$ it can be shown that

$$SKD_{2m+1}f(\xi) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \xi, x \in T_{kr}} SKD_{2m+1}f(x) . . . (G).$$

Now we can write $\bigcup_k \bigcup_r T_{kr}$ as $\bigcup_{\lambda=1}^r Q_\lambda$ and from (G) it follows that $SKD_{2m+1}f(x)/Q$ is continuous for $= 1, 2, \dots$. Also $Q \subset \bigcup_k \bigcup_r T_{kr} = \bigcup Q_\lambda \subset E$ and since each T_{kr} is closed relative to E so each Q is closed

relative to E . Thus the theorem is true for $n = 2m + 3$. This completes the proof for odd case.

To prove the theorem for even n , first the theorem is proved for $n = 4$ in the analogous way and induction is used as previous. The detail is avoided.

Corollary 4.3. *Under the hypothesis of Theorem 4. 2, if $E = Q$ then $SKD_k f(x) \in B_1(E)$ for $k = n - 2, n - 4, \dots$*

Theorem 4.4. *Let $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be continuous and $E \subset (a, b)$ be closed. If $SKD_n f(x)$ exists finitely on E then $SKD_n f(x) \in B_1(E)$.*

Proof: The derivatives $SKD_1 f(x)$ and $SKD_2 f(x)$ if exist on E then obviously Baire 1. So we take $n > 2$. Since $SKD_n f(x)$ exists finitely on E so by previous Theorem there exists a sequence of sets Q_k such that each Q_k is closed relative to E , $\bigcup Q_k = E$ and $SKD_i f(x)/Q_k$ is continuous for $i = n - 2, n - 4, \dots, k = 1, 2, \dots$

. Let δ be a fixed number such that $0 < \delta < \min\{\inf E - a, b - \sup E\}$. For each positive integer m define

$$f_m(x) = m^{n+1} \int_0^\delta K(m, t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) + f(x-t)}{2} \sum_{r=0}^{\frac{n-2}{2}} \frac{t^{2r}}{(2r)!} SKD_{2r} f(x) \right] dt, \text{ when } x \in E \text{ and } n \text{ is even.}$$

$$= m^{n+1} \int_0^\delta K(m, t) \left[\frac{f(x+t) - f(x-t)}{2} \sum_{r=0}^{\frac{n-2}{2}} \frac{t^{2r+1}}{(2r+1)!} SKD_{2r+1} f(x) \right] dt,$$

when $x \in E$ and n is odd.

Then, $f_m(x)/Q_k$ is continuous for each m and for each k . Also $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} f_m(x) = SKD_n f(x)$ for $x \in E$. Let

$F \subset E$ be a closed set. Then $F = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} (Q_k \cap F)$. By Baires Theorem there is (u, v) and a k_0 such that $\Phi \neq F \cap (u, v) \subset (Q_{k_0} \cap F) \cap (u, v)$.

Since f_m/Q_{k_0} is continuous, $SKD_n f(x) \in B_1(F \cap (u, v))$. Hence $SKD_n f(x) \in B_1(E)$.

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