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Iteration changes discontinuity into smoothness (I): Removable and jumping cases

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Abstract: It has been proved that a self-mapping with exact one discontinuity may have a continuous iterate of the second order. It actually shows that iteration can change discontinuity into continuity. Further, we can also find some examples with exact one discontinuity which have C^1 smooth iterate of the second order, indicating that iteration can change discontinuity into smoothness. In this paper we investigate piecewise C^1 self-mappings on the open interval $(0, 1)$ having only one removable or jumping discontinuity. We give necessary and sufficient conditions for those self-mappings to have a C^1 smooth iterate of the second order.

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1. Introduction

Iteration may be considered as many repetitions of the same operation. Concretely, the n -th iterate f^n of a function $f : E \rightarrow E$ is defined by $f^n(x) = f(f^{n-1}(x))$ and $f^0(x) = x$ for all $x \in E$ inductively, where E is a nonempty set and $n > 0$ is a fixed integer.

Iteration is an extensive phenomenon in nature and human life. It causes many complexities such as bifurcations, chaos and fractals [12–14]. The computation of iteration of a general order or a higher order in the one-dimensional case is also a complicated work although efforts have been made to polynomials [1–4, 21], quasi-polynomials [17, 19], linear fractions [20] and rational fractions [11]. Along with the development of iteration theory on C^0 mappings (see e.g., Chapter 11 of [7] and Chapter 1 of [18]), attentions were also paid to iteration of “bad mappings” such as discontinuous mappings or set-valued mappings and their iterative roots [5, 6, 15, 16].

Usually, one considers that a “bad mapping” may be changed by iteration to worse with more complicated properties, but it was shown in [8] and [10] that a discontinuous self-mapping can be converted by iteration to a continuous one. In [8] and [10] necessary and sufficient conditions are

found for such conversion. Further, there are found in [9] all nonsmooth continuous self-mappings whose second order iterates are C^1 smooth. Combining [8](or [10]) with [9], one can judge whether the fourth order iterate of a discontinuous self-mapping is C^1 smooth. However, it is still hard to answer: *What discontinuous self-mappings can be smoothed but not only be made continuous by the second order iteration?* For example, the self-mapping

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -(x - \frac{1}{4})^2 + \frac{3}{16}, & 0 < x < \frac{1}{2}, \\ \frac{1}{8}, & x = \frac{1}{2}, \\ -(x - \frac{3}{4})^2 + \frac{7}{16}, & \frac{1}{2} < x < 1, \end{cases}$$

has a jumping discontinuity at $x_0 = 1/2$ (shown in Figure 1), but its second order iterate

$$f^2(x) = \begin{cases} -[(x - \frac{1}{4})^2 + \frac{1}{16}]^2 + \frac{3}{16}, & 0 < x < \frac{1}{2}, \\ \frac{11}{64}, & x = \frac{1}{2}, \\ -[(x - \frac{3}{4})^2 - \frac{3}{16}]^2 + \frac{3}{16}, & \frac{1}{2} < x < 1, \end{cases}$$

is a C^1 smooth self-mapping on the whole interval $(0,1)$ (shown in Figure 2).

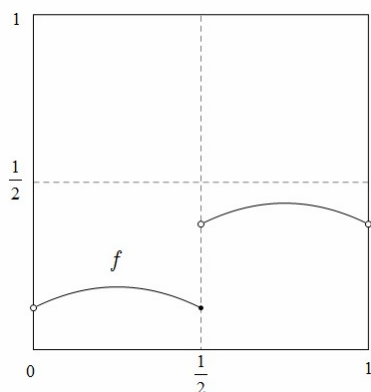


Figure 1. f is discontinuous at $x_0 = 1/2$.

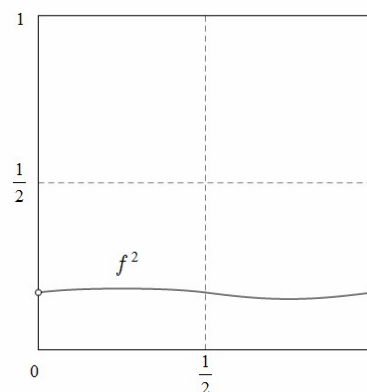


Figure 2. f^2 is C^1 smooth on $(0, 1)$.

In this paper we answer this question for $V(I, I)$, the class of C^1 self-mappings with exactly one discontinuity on the open interval $I := (0, 1)$. Each $f \in V(I, I)$ can be presented as

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} f_1(x), & x \in I_1 := (0, x_0), \\ c, & x = x_0, \\ f_2(x), & x \in I_2 := (x_0, 1), \end{cases} \quad (1.1)$$

where $x_0 \in (0, 1)$ is the unique discontinuity, f_i is C^1 smooth on I_i for each $i \in \{1, 2\}$ and $c \in (0, 1)$ is a constant. Usually, there are four classes of discontinuities: removable discontinuity, jumping discontinuity, oscillating discontinuity and infinite discontinuity, but there are only the first three classes in $V(I, I)$, i.e., $V(I, I) = V_r(I, I) \cup V_j(I, I) \cup V_o(I, I)$, where

- $f \in V_r(I, I)$ has a unique removable discontinuity;
- $f \in V_j(I, I)$ has a unique jumping discontinuity;
- $f \in V_o(I, I)$ has a unique oscillating discontinuity.

In this paper we discuss C^1 smoothness of the second order iterates of mappings in $V_r(I, I)$ or $V_j(I, I)$ and leave the discussion on $V_o(I, I)$ to a continued paper. In order to investigate C^1 smoothness of the second order iterates of mappings in $V_r(I, I)$ or $V_j(I, I)$, we also need to divide them into some subclasses, i.e., $V_\tau(I, I) = V_{\tau r}(I, I) \cup V_{\tau j}(I, I) \cup V_{\tau o}(I, I) \cup V_{\tau \infty}(I, I)$ for $\tau \in \{r, j\}$, where

- $f \in V_{\tau r}(I, I)$ if the derivative f' has a removable discontinuity at x_0 , i.e., both $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(x)$ exist and they are equal;
- $f \in V_{\tau j}(I, I)$ if the derivative f' has a jumping discontinuity at x_0 , i.e., both $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(x)$ exist but they are not equal;
- $f \in V_{\tau o}(I, I)$ if the derivative f' has an oscillating discontinuity at x_0 , i.e., both f'_1 and f'_2 are bounded but either $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(x)$ or $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(x)$ does not exist;
- $f \in V_{\tau \infty}(I, I)$ if either f'_1 or f'_2 is unbounded, i.e., either $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(x) = \infty$ or $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(x) = \infty$.

In this paper, we discuss C^1 smoothness of the second order iterates of mappings in $V_{r\mu}(I, I)$ and $V_{j\mu}(I, I)$ respectively, where $\mu \in \{r, j, o\}$. Necessary and sufficient conditions for C^1 smoothness of the second order iterates of mappings in $V_{r\mu}(I, I)$ and $V_{j\mu}(I, I)$ are obtained in Sections 2 and 3 respectively. Moreover, we also give necessary conditions and point out the difficulties in finding sufficient conditions for C^1 smoothness of the second order iterates of mappings in $V_{r\infty}(I, I)$ and $V_{j\infty}(I, I)$ in Sections 2 and 3 respectively. Finally, we use examples to demonstrate our conditions of the second order C^1 smoothness in Section 4.

For convenience, let $I_0 := \{x_0\}$, then $I = I_1 \cup I_0 \cup I_2$. Moreover, for $i, j = 0, 1, 2$ we use the notations

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta_i^- &:= \{\alpha \in I \mid f(x) \in I_i \text{ for all } x \in U_\alpha^-\}, \\ \Delta_j^+ &:= \{\alpha \in I \mid f(x) \in I_j \text{ for all } x \in U_\alpha^+\}, \\ \Delta_{ij} &:= \{\alpha \in I \mid f(x) \in I_i \text{ for all } x \in U_\alpha^- \text{ and } f(x) \in I_j \text{ for all } x \in U_\alpha^+\},\end{aligned}$$

where U_α^- and U_α^+ are the left half and the right half of the sufficiently small neighborhood of α respectively. We use D_-f and D_+f to denote the left derivative of f and the right derivative of f respectively.

2. Iteration for $V_r(I, I)$

In this section, we consider C^1 smoothness of the second order iterates of $f \in V_r(I, I)$ be defined by (1.1). Let

$$y_0 := \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2(x) \neq f(x_0) = c. \quad (2.1)$$

For convenience, we use the notation:

$$\Upsilon(c) := \begin{cases} f_1(c), & \text{if } c \in I_1, \\ f_2(c), & \text{if } c \in I_2. \end{cases}$$

Moreover, let $\mathcal{C}_{rr}(I, I) := \{f \in V_{rr}(I, I) \mid f(y_0) = \Upsilon(c)\}$ and for $\tau = j, o, \infty$ let $\mathcal{C}_{r\tau}(I, I) := \{f \in V_{r\tau}(I, I) \mid f(y_0) = \Upsilon(c) \text{ and } f'(y_0) = 0\}$.

Theorem 2.1. Suppose that $f \in V_{r\tau}(I, I)$ for $\tau \in \{r, j, o\}$ and f has a unique discontinuity at $x_0 \in (0, 1)$. Let y_0 be defined by (2.1). Then the iterate f^2 is C^1 smooth on I if and only if $y_0 \in I_i$, $f(I_1 \cup I_2) \subseteq I_i$ holds for $i = 1$ or 2 and $f \in \mathcal{C}_{r\tau}(I, I)$.

Proof. Necessity. Suppose that the iterate f^2 is C^1 smooth on I , which implies that the iterate f^2 is continuous on I . By Theorem 1 in [8], we see that $y_0 \in I_i$, $f(I_1 \cup I_2) \subseteq I_i$ holds and

$$f(y_0) = f_i(y_0) = \Upsilon(c) \quad (2.2)$$

for $i = 1$ or 2 . It suffices to discuss the situation which $i = 1$ since the other situation can be discussed similarly. It follows that

$$f^2(x) = \begin{cases} f_1(f_1(x)), & x \in I_1, \\ f_1(f_2(x)), & x \in I_2. \end{cases} \quad (2.3)$$

By the assumption that $f \in V_{r\tau}(I, I)$ for $\tau \in \{r, j, o\}$, we need to discuss three cases: $f \in V_{rr}(I, I)$, $f \in V_{rj}(I, I)$ and $f \in V_{ro}(I, I)$. For the first case that $f \in V_{rr}(I, I)$, by (2.2) and the definition of $\mathcal{C}_{rr}(I, I)$, we see that $f \in \mathcal{C}_{rr}(I, I)$. For the second case that $f \in V_{rj}(I, I)$, by the definition of $V_{rj}(I, I)$, we see that $\tilde{y}_1 := \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(x) \neq \tilde{y}_2 := \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(x)$. Note that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2(x) = y_0$. It follows from (2.3) that

$$D_- f^2(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(f_1(x))f'_1(x) = f'_1(y_0)\tilde{y}_1, \quad (2.4)$$

$$D_+ f^2(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_1(f_2(x))f'_2(x) = f'_1(y_0)\tilde{y}_2. \quad (2.5)$$

Since f^2 is C^1 smooth on I , we have $D_- f^2(x_0) = D_+ f^2(x_0)$. Since $\tilde{y}_1 \neq \tilde{y}_2$ and $y_0 \in I_1$, it follows from (2.4) and (2.5) that

$$f'(y_0) = f'_1(y_0) = 0. \quad (2.6)$$

By the definition of $\mathcal{C}_{rj}(I, I)$, we obtain from (2.2) and (2.6) that $f \in \mathcal{C}_{rj}(I, I)$. Finally, for the third case that $f \in V_{ro}(I, I)$, by the definition of $V_{ro}(I, I)$, we see that either $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(x)$ or $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(x)$ does not exist. From (2.3) we obtain

$$D_- f^2(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(f_1(x))f'_1(x), \quad (2.7)$$

$$D_+ f^2(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_1(f_2(x))f'_2(x). \quad (2.8)$$

Note that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(f_1(x)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_1(f_2(x)) = f'_1(y_0)$. Since we have assumed that f^2 is C^1 smooth on I , it follows that both $D_- f^2(x_0)$ and $D_+ f^2(x_0)$ exist. We claim that (2.6) holds. In fact, if the claim is not true, then $f'(y_0) = f'_1(y_0) \neq 0$. It follows from (2.7) and (2.8) that both $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(x)$ exist since

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} \frac{f'_1(f_1(x))f'_1(x)}{f'_1(f_1(x))} = \frac{D_- f^2(x_0)}{f'_1(y_0)},$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} \frac{f'_1(f_2(x))f'_2(x)}{f'_1(f_2(x))} = \frac{D_+ f^2(x_0)}{f'_1(y_0)},$$

which contradicts our assumption that either $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(x)$ or $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(x)$ does not exist. This proves (2.6). By the definition of $\mathcal{C}_{ro}(I, I)$, it follows from (2.2) and (2.6) that $f \in \mathcal{C}_{ro}(I, I)$. Therefore, this completes the proof of necessity.

Sufficiency. We only deal with the situation where $y_0 \in I_1$ and $f(I_1 \cup I_2) \subseteq I_1$ hold since the other one can be proved similarly.

If $f(I_1 \cup I_2) \subseteq I_1$ holds, we can obtain (2.3). Obviously, f^2 is C^1 smooth on $I_1 \cup I_2$ since the mappings f_1 and f_2 are C^1 on I_1 and I_2 respectively. That $y_0 \in I_1$ implies that $f(y_0) = f_1(y_0)$ and $f'(y_0) = f'_1(y_0)$. By the assumption that $f \in \mathcal{C}_{r\tau}(I, I)$ for $\tau \in \{r, j, o\}$, we have either $f \in \mathcal{C}_{rr}(I, I)$, or $f \in \mathcal{C}_{rj}(I, I)$, or $f \in \mathcal{C}_{ro}(I, I)$. In the case $f \in \mathcal{C}_{rr}(I, I)$, from the definition of $\mathcal{C}_{rr}(I, I)$, we have $f(y_0) = \Upsilon(c)$ and $f \in V_{rr}(I, I)$. By Theorem 1 in [8], we see that f^2 is C^0 on I . Moreover, (2.3) implies that (2.4) and (2.5) hold. Since $f \in V_{rr}(I, I)$, we have $\tilde{y}_1 = \tilde{y}_2$. It follows from (2.4) and (2.5) that $D_-f^2(x_0) = D_+f^2(x_0)$, which implies that Df^2 is continuous at x_0 . Thus f^2 is C^1 smooth on I . In the case $f \in \mathcal{C}_{rj}(I, I)$, it follows from the definition of $\mathcal{C}_{rj}(I, I)$ that $f(y_0) = \Upsilon(c)$, $f \in V_{rj}(I, I)$ and $f'(y_0) = 0$. Similarly, we see that f^2 is C^0 on I . Moreover, one sees that (2.4) and (2.5) hold. It follows from (2.4) and (2.5) that $D_-f^2(x_0) = D_+f^2(x_0) = 0$, which implies that Df^2 is continuous at x_0 . Thus f^2 is C^1 smooth on I . Finally, in the case $f \in \mathcal{C}_{ro}(I, I)$, it follows from the definition of $\mathcal{C}_{ro}(I, I)$ that $f(y_0) = \Upsilon(c)$, $f \in V_{ro}(I, I)$ and $f'(y_0) = 0$. We similarly get that f^2 is C^0 on I . Moreover, (2.3) implies that (2.7) and (2.8) hold. Note that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(f_1(x)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_1(f_2(x)) = f'_1(y_0) = f'(y_0) = 0$ and both f'_1 and f'_2 are bounded. By the properties of infinitely small quantities, we get from (2.7) and (2.8) that $D_-f^2(x_0) = D_+f^2(x_0) = 0$. This implies that Df^2 is continuous at x_0 . Therefore, f^2 is C^1 smooth on I . The proof of the theorem is completed. \square

Theorem 2.2. *Let $f \in V_{r\infty}(I, I)$ with the unique discontinuity at $x_0 \in (0, 1)$ and let y_0 be defined by (2.1). Suppose that the iterate f^2 is C^1 smooth on I . Then, $y_0 \in I_i$, $f(I_1 \cup I_2) \subseteq I_i$ holds for $i = 1$ or 2 and $f \in \mathcal{C}_{r\infty}(I, I)$.*

Proof. We omit the proof because its proof is totally similar to the proof of the necessity of the case that $f \in V_{ro}(I, I)$ in Theorem 2.1. \square

Notice that the above Theorem 2.2 does not give sufficient conditions for f^2 to be C^1 because it is hard to judge the existence of either the limit $D_-f^2(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_i(f_i(x))f'_i(x)$ or the limit $D_+f^2(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_i(f_i(x))f'_i(x)$ for $y_0 \in I_i$, $i = 1$ or 2 . In fact, we assume that $y_0 \in I_1$, $f(I_1 \cup I_2) \subseteq I_1$ holds and $f \in \mathcal{C}_{r\infty}(I, I)$. With a similar discussion to the proof of Theorem 2.1, we conclude that (2.7) and (2.8) hold. Note that $f \in \mathcal{C}_{r\infty}(I, I)$ and $f'(y_0) = f'_1(y_0)$. By the definition of $\mathcal{C}_{r\infty}(I, I)$, we see that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(f_1(x)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_1(f_2(x)) = f'_1(y_0) = 0$ and either $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(x) = \infty$ or $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(x) = \infty$. From (2.7) and (2.8), either the limit $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(f_1(x))f'_1(x)$ or the limit $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_1(f_2(x))f'_2(x)$ is of $0 \cdot \infty$ type. Thus, it is hard to judge the existence of either $D_-f^2(x_0)$ or $D_+f^2(x_0)$. Similarly, we see difficulty in the other one.

3. Iteration for $V_j(I, I)$

In this section, we consider C^1 smoothness of the second order iterates of $f \in V_j(I, I)$ be defined by (1.1). Let

$$y_1 := \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1(x) \neq y_2 := \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2(x) \quad (3.1)$$

and let

$$\tilde{y}_1 := \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(x) \text{ (or } \tilde{y}_2 := \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(x))$$

if the left limit $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(x)$ exists (or the right limit $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(x)$ exists).

For convenience, for $i, k \in \{1, 2\}$, $m \in \{1, 2\} \setminus \{k\}$ and $\nu \in \{r, j\}$ let

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbb{C}}_{j\nu}^i(I, I) &:= \{f \in V_{j\nu}(I, I) \mid f_i(y_1) = f_i(y_2) = f(c) \text{ and } f'_i(y_1)\tilde{y}_1 = f'_i(y_2)\tilde{y}_2\}, \\ \check{\mathbb{C}}_{j\nu}^{(i,k)}(I, I) &:= \{f \in V_{j\nu}(I, I) \mid f_i(y_k) = y_m = f(c) \text{ and } f'_i(y_k)\tilde{y}_k = \tilde{y}_m^2\}, \\ \bar{\mathbb{C}}_{j\nu}^{(i,k)}(I, I) &:= \{f \in V_{j\nu}(I, I) \mid f_i(y_k) = c = f(c) \text{ and } f'_i(y_k)\tilde{y}_k = 0\}, \\ \tilde{\mathbb{C}}_{j\nu}^{(i,k)}(I, I) &:= \{f \in V_{j\nu}(I, I) \mid f_i(y_k) = y_k = f(c) \text{ and } f'_i(y_k)\tilde{y}_k = \tilde{y}_1\tilde{y}_2\}. \end{aligned}$$

In order to investigate C^1 smoothness of the second order iterates of mappings in $V_{j\tau}(I, I)$ for $\tau = o, \infty$, we need to consider three cases:

$$\begin{aligned} V_{j\tau+}(I, I) &:= \{f \in V_{j\tau}(I, I) \mid \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'(x) \text{ exists but } \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'(x) \text{ does not exist}\}, \\ V_{j\tau-}(I, I) &:= \{f \in V_{j\tau}(I, I) \mid \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'(x) \text{ exists but } \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'(x) \text{ does not exist}\}, \\ V_{j\tau*}(I, I) &:= \{f \in V_{j\tau}(I, I) \mid \text{neither } \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'(x) \text{ nor } \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'(x) \text{ exists}\}, \end{aligned}$$

that is, $V_{j\tau}(I, I) = V_{j\tau+}(I, I) \cup V_{j\tau-}(I, I) \cup V_{j\tau*}(I, I)$. Moreover, for $i, k \in \{1, 2\}$, $m \in \{1, 2\} \setminus \{k\}$ and $\mu \in \{-, +\}$ let

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{C}_{jo\mu}^{(i,k)}(I, I) &:= \{f \in V_{jo\mu}(I, I) \mid f_i(y_1) = f_i(y_2) = f(c) \text{ and } f'_i(y_k)\tilde{y}_k = f'_i(y_m) = 0\}, \\ \mathbb{C}_{j\tau*}^i(I, I) &:= \{f \in V_{j\tau*}(I, I) \mid f_i(y_1) = f_i(y_2) = f(c) \text{ and } f'_i(y_1) = f'_i(y_2) = 0\}, \\ \tilde{\mathbb{C}}_{jo\mu}^{(i,k)}(I, I) &:= \{f \in V_{jo\mu}(I, I) \mid y_k = f_i(y_m) = f(c) \text{ and } \tilde{y}_k = f'_i(y_m) = 0\}, \\ \bar{\mathbb{C}}_{j\tau\mu}^{(i,k)}(I, I) &:= \{f \in V_{j\tau\mu}(I, I) \mid c = f_i(y_k) = f(c) \text{ and } f'_i(y_k) = 0\}, \\ \hat{\mathbb{C}}_{j\tau\mu}^{(i,k)}(I, I) &:= \{f \in V_{j\tau\mu}(I, I) \mid y_k = f_i(y_k) = f(c) \text{ and } f'_i(y_k) = \tilde{y}_m = 0\}, \\ \check{\mathbb{C}}_{j\tau\mu}^{(i,k)}(I, I) &:= \{f \in V_{j\tau\mu}(I, I) \mid y_k = f_i(y_k) = f(c) \text{ and } \tilde{y}_k = 0\}, \\ \mathbb{C}_{j\infty\mu}^{(i,k)}(I, I) &:= \{f \in V_{j\infty\mu}(I, I) \mid f_i(y_k) = f_i(y_m) = f(c) \text{ and } f'_i(y_m) = 0\}, \\ \tilde{\mathbb{C}}_{j\infty\mu}^{(i,k)}(I, I) &:= \{f \in V_{j\infty\mu}(I, I) \mid y_k = f_i(y_m) = f(c) \text{ and } f'_i(y_m) = 0\}. \end{aligned}$$

In addition, for $i, p = 1, 2$, $\tau = r, j, o, \infty$ and $\xi_p \in f^{-1}(I_0) \cap I_p$, let

$$\mathbb{C}_{j\tau}^{ip}(I, I) := \{f \in V_{j\tau}(I, I) \mid y_i = c \text{ and } f'_p(\xi_p) = 0\}.$$

Theorem 3.1. *Let $f \in V_{j\tau}(I, I)$ for $\tau \in \{r, j\}$ and $x_0 \in (0, 1)$ be the unique discontinuity. Suppose that y_1 and y_2 are defined by (3.1). Then the iterate f^2 is C^1 smooth on I if and only if the following two conditions are both fulfilled:*

(i) *When both $y_1 \neq x_0$ and $y_2 \neq x_0$, there exists $i = 1$ or 2 such that $\{y_1, y_2\} \subseteq I_i$ and $f \in \hat{\mathbb{C}}_{j\tau}^i(I, I)$; When $y_1 = x_0$ and $y_2 \in I_i$ for $i = 1$ or 2 , either $f \in \check{\mathbb{C}}_{j\tau}^{(i,2)}(I, I)$ if $x_0 \in \Delta_{1i}$, or $f \in \bar{\mathbb{C}}_{j\tau}^{(i,2)}(I, I)$ if $x_0 \in \Delta_{0i}$, or*

$f \in \tilde{C}_{j\tau}^{(i,2)}(I, I)$ if $x_0 \in \Delta_{2i}$; When $y_2 = x_0$ and $y_1 \in I_i$ for $i = 1$ or 2 , either $f \in \tilde{C}_{j\tau}^{(i,1)}(I, I)$ if $x_0 \in \Delta_{i1}$, or $f \in \tilde{C}_{j\tau}^{(i,1)}(I, I)$ if $x_0 \in \Delta_{i0}$, or $f \in \check{C}_{j\tau}^{(i,1)}(I, I)$ if $x_0 \in \Delta_{i2}$.

(ii) $\xi_p \in \Delta_{00} \cup \Delta_{11} \cup \Delta_{10} \cup \Delta_{01} \cup \Delta_{22} \cup \Delta_{20} \cup \Delta_{02}$ and for $i, p \in \{1, 2\}$, $f \in \mathcal{C}_{j\tau}^{ip}(I, I)$ if $\xi_p \in \Delta_{ii} \cup \Delta_{i0} \cup \Delta_{0i}$, where $\xi_p \in f^{-1}(I_0) \cap I_p$.

Proof. According to the location of y_1 and y_2 , there are three cases to be considered: **(J-1)** Both y_1 and y_2 lie in a sub-interval divided by the discontinuity x_0 of f ; **(J-2)** y_1 reaches the discontinuity x_0 of f and y_2 lies in a sub-interval divided by the discontinuity x_0 of f ; **(J-3)** y_1 lies in a sub-interval divided by the discontinuity x_0 of f and y_2 reaches the discontinuity x_0 of f . Since $f \in V_{j\tau}(I, I)$ for $\tau \in \{r, j\}$, we need to discuss two situations: $f \in V_{jr}(I, I)$ and $f \in V_{jj}(I, I)$. We only discuss the situation that $f \in V_{jj}(I, I)$ because the situation that $f \in V_{jr}(I, I)$ can be discussed similarly. Under condition that $f \in V_{jj}(I, I)$, knowing that $y_1 \neq y_2$ and $\tilde{y}_1 := \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(x) \neq \tilde{y}_2 := \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(x)$.

For the **necessity**, we suppose that f^2 is C^1 smooth on I . So that f^2 is continuous on I .

In case **(J-1)**, i.e., both $y_1 \neq x_0$ and $y_2 \neq x_0$, by the continuity of f^2 on I and **(i)** of Theorem 2 in [8], there exists $i = 1$ or 2 such that $\{y_1, y_2\} \subseteq I_i$ and

$$f_i(y_1) = f_i(y_2) = f(c). \quad (3.2)$$

In what follows, we only discuss the situation that $\{y_1, y_2\} \subseteq I_1$ since the other one can be discussed similarly. By the openness of I_1 and I_2 and the continuity of f_1 on I_1 and f_2 on I_2 , there are a left half neighborhood $U_{x_0}^-$ of x_0 and a right half neighborhood $U_{x_0}^+$ of x_0 such that $f_1(U_{x_0}^-) \subseteq I_1$ and $f_2(U_{x_0}^+) \subseteq I_1$, i.e., $x_0 \in \Delta_{11}$. Then

$$f^2(x) = \begin{cases} f_1(f_1(x)), & x \in U_{x_0}^-, \\ f(c), & x = x_0, \\ f_1(f_2(x)), & x \in U_{x_0}^+. \end{cases} \quad (3.3)$$

It follows from (3.3) that

$$D_- f^2(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(f_1(x))f'_1(x) = f'_1(y_1)\tilde{y}_1, \quad (3.4)$$

$$D_+ f^2(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_1(f_2(x))f'_2(x) = f'_1(y_2)\tilde{y}_2. \quad (3.5)$$

Since f^2 is C^1 on I , we have $D_- f^2(x_0) = D_+ f^2(x_0)$. From (3.4) and (3.5) we get that

$$f'_1(y_1)\tilde{y}_1 = f'_1(y_2)\tilde{y}_2. \quad (3.6)$$

Note that $i = 1$ and $\tau = j$. It follows from (3.2) and (3.6) that $f \in \hat{C}_{jj}^1(I, I)$.

In case **(J-2)**, i.e., $y_1 = x_0$ and $y_2 \in I_i$ for $i = 1$ or 2 , we only consider the situation that $y_1 = x_0$ and $y_2 \in I_2$. The other one can be discussed similarly. From the assumption that $y_1 = x_0$ and $y_2 \in I_2$, we have $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1(x) = y_1 = x_0$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2(x) = y_2 \in I_2$. By the continuity of f_1 on I_1 and f_2 on I_2 , we see that

$$x_0 \in \Delta_{12} \cup \Delta_{02} \cup \Delta_{22}. \quad (3.7)$$

From (3.7) we need to discuss three situations: $x_0 \in \Delta_{12}$, $x_0 \in \Delta_{02}$ and $x_0 \in \Delta_{22}$. In the first situation that $x_0 \in \Delta_{12}$, by the continuity of f^2 on I and **(ii-1)** of Theorem 2 in [8], we have

$$f_2(y_2) = y_1 = f(c). \quad (3.8)$$

From the definition of Δ_{12} and $x_0 \in \Delta_{12}$, we have

$$f^2(x) = \begin{cases} f_1(f_1(x)), & x \in U_{x_0}^-, \\ f(c), & x = x_0, \\ f_2(f_2(x)), & x \in U_{x_0}^+. \end{cases} \quad (3.9)$$

Note that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1(x) = y_1 = x_0$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2(x) = y_2 \in I_2$. Thus, $f_1(x) \rightarrow x_0-0$ as $x \rightarrow x_0-0$ and $f_2(x) \rightarrow y_2$ as $x \rightarrow x_0+0$. It follows from (3.9) that

$$D_- f^2(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1'(f_1(x))f_1'(x) = \tilde{y}_1 \lim_{y \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1'(y) = \tilde{y}_1^2, \quad (3.10)$$

$$D_+ f^2(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2'(f_2(x))f_2'(x) = f_2'(y_2)\tilde{y}_2. \quad (3.11)$$

Since f^2 is C^1 on I , we have $D_- f^2(x_0) = D_+ f^2(x_0)$. From (3.10) and (3.11) we get that

$$f_2'(y_2)\tilde{y}_2 = \tilde{y}_1^2. \quad (3.12)$$

Note that $i = k = 2$ and $\tau = j$. It follows from (3.8) and (3.12) that $f \in \check{C}_{jj}^{(2,2)}(I, I)$. In the second situation that $x_0 \in \Delta_{02}$, we get that

$$f_2(y_2) = c = f(c) \quad (3.13)$$

similarly. By the definition of Δ_{02} and $x_0 \in \Delta_{02}$, we have

$$f^2(x) = \begin{cases} c, & x \in U_{x_0}^-, \\ f(c), & x = x_0, \\ f_2(f_2(x)), & x \in U_{x_0}^+. \end{cases} \quad (3.14)$$

Note that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2(x) = y_2 \in I_2$. We obtain from (3.14) that (3.11) and

$$D_- f^2(x_0) = 0. \quad (3.15)$$

Since f^2 is C^1 on I , we have $D_- f^2(x_0) = D_+ f^2(x_0)$. From (3.11) and (3.15) we get that

$$f_2'(y_2)\tilde{y}_2 = 0. \quad (3.16)$$

Note that $i = k = 2$ and $\tau = j$. It follows from (3.13) and (3.16) that $f \in \bar{C}_{jj}^{(2,2)}(I, I)$. Finally, in the three situation that $x_0 \in \Delta_{22}$, we get that

$$f_2(y_2) = y_2 = f(c) \quad (3.17)$$

similarly. By the definition of Δ_{22} and $x_0 \in \Delta_{22}$, we have

$$f^2(x) = \begin{cases} f_2(f_1(x)), & x \in U_{x_0}^-, \\ f(c), & x = x_0, \\ f_2(f_2(x)), & x \in U_{x_0}^+. \end{cases} \quad (3.18)$$

Note that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1(x) = y_1 = x_0$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2(x) = y_2 \in I_2$. Thus, $f_1(x) \rightarrow x_0+0$ as $x \rightarrow x_0-0$ and $f_2(x) \rightarrow y_2$ as $x \rightarrow x_0+0$. From (3.18) we obtain (3.11) and

$$D_- f^2(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_2'(f_1(x))f_1'(x) = \tilde{y}_1 \lim_{y \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2'(y) = \tilde{y}_1 \tilde{y}_2. \quad (3.19)$$

Since f^2 is C^1 on I , we have $D_- f^2(x_0) = D_+ f^2(x_0)$. we get from (3.11) and (3.19) that

$$f_2'(y_2)\tilde{y}_2 = \tilde{y}_1 \tilde{y}_2. \quad (3.20)$$

Note that $i = k = 2$ and $\tau = j$. It follows from (3.17) and (3.20) that $f \in \tilde{C}_{jj}^{(2,2)}(I, I)$.

We omit the proof in case **(J-3)**, i.e., $y_2 = x_0$ and $y_1 \in I_i$ for $i = 1$ or 2 because its proof is totally similar to the proof in case **(J-2)**. Thus, condition **(i)** holds.

Next, we prove that condition **(ii)** holds. In fact, suppose that a point ξ_p in $f^{-1}(I_0) \cap I_p$ for $p = 1$ or 2 . In the following, we only consider a point ξ_1 in $f^{-1}(I_0) \cap I_1$ since the other one can be discussed similarly. By the continuity of f_1 on I_1 we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_1 \in & \Delta_{11} \cup \Delta_{10} \cup \Delta_{12} \cup \Delta_{01} \cup \Delta_{02} \\ & \cup \Delta_{21} \cup \Delta_{20} \cup \Delta_{22} \cup \Delta_{00}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.21)$$

From the continuity of f^2 on I , we claim that

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_1 \in & \Delta_{11} \cup \Delta_{10} \cup \Delta_{01} \cup \Delta_{02} \\ & \cup \Delta_{20} \cup \Delta_{22} \cup \Delta_{00}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.22)$$

By (3.21) we need to exclude two situations: $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{12}$ and $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{21}$. If $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{12}$, by the definition of Δ_{12} , we have

$$f^2(x) = \begin{cases} f_1(f_1(x)), & x \in U_{\xi_1}^-, \\ f_2(f_1(x)), & x \in U_{\xi_1}^+. \end{cases}$$

Note that $f_1(x) \rightarrow x_0-0$ as $x \rightarrow \xi_1-0$ and $f_1(x) \rightarrow x_0+0$ as $x \rightarrow \xi_1+0$. It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow \xi_1-0} f^2(x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \xi_1-0} f_1(f_1(x)) = \lim_{y \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1(y) = y_1, \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow \xi_1+0} f^2(x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \xi_1+0} f_2(f_1(x)) = \lim_{y \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2(y) = y_2. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we get that $y_1 = y_2$ since f^2 is continuous on I , which contradicts the assumption that $y_1 \neq y_2$. Using a similar discussion to the proof of $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{12}$, one can get that $y_1 = y_2$ if $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{21}$, a contradiction to the assumption. This completes the proof of the claimed (3.22). Thus, from the continuity of f^2 on I and (3.22), if $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{ii} \cup \Delta_{i0} \cup \Delta_{0i}$ for $i = 1$ or 2 , we obtain

$$y_i = c \quad (3.23)$$

by Theorem 2 of [8] and its proof. In what follows, we only discuss the situation that $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{11} \cup \Delta_{10} \cup \Delta_{01}$ since the other one can be discussed similarly. if $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{11}$, by the definition of Δ_{11} , we have

$$f^2(x) = \begin{cases} f_1(f_1(x)), & x \in U_{\xi_1}^- \cup U_{\xi_1}^+, \\ c, & x = \xi_1. \end{cases} \quad (3.24)$$

Note that $f(\xi_1) = x_0$. Thus, $f_1(x) \rightarrow x_0 - 0$ as $x \rightarrow \xi_1$. From (3.24) we get that

$$D_- f^2(\xi_1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \xi_1 - 0} f'_1(f_1(x))f'_1(x) = f'_1(\xi_1) \lim_{y \rightarrow x_0 - 0} f'_1(y) = \tilde{y}_1 f'_1(\xi_1), \quad (3.25)$$

$$D_+ f^2(\xi_1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \xi_1 + 0} f'_1(f_1(x))f'_1(x) = f'_1(\xi_1) \lim_{y \rightarrow x_0 - 0} f'_1(y) = \tilde{y}_1 f'_1(\xi_1). \quad (3.26)$$

Note that f_1 is C^1 smooth on I_1 and ξ_1 is a local maximum point of f_1 , we obtain

$$f'_1(\xi_1) = 0. \quad (3.27)$$

If $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{10}$, by the definition of Δ_{10} , we have

$$f^2(x) = \begin{cases} f_1(f_1(x)), & x \in U_{\xi_1}^-, \\ c, & x \in U_{\xi_1}^+ \cup \{\xi_1\}. \end{cases} \quad (3.28)$$

Note that $f_1(x) \rightarrow x_0 - 0$ as $x \rightarrow \xi_1 - 0$. From (3.28) we obtain (3.25) and

$$D_+ f^2(\xi_1) = 0. \quad (3.29)$$

Since f^2 is C^1 smooth on I , we have $D_- f^2(\xi_1) = D_+ f^2(\xi_1)$. Note that f_1 is C^1 smooth on I_1 . Thus, we get from (3.25) and (3.29) that (3.27) holds. Similarly to $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{10}$, we can also get that (3.27) holds when $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{01}$. Note that $i = p = 1$ and $\tau = j$. It follows from (3.23) and (3.27) that $f \in \hat{C}_{jj}^{11}(I, I)$. Thus, condition (ii) holds and this completes the proof of necessity.

For the **sufficiency**, we need to prove that f^2 is C^1 smooth on I under condition (i) and condition (ii). First, we prove that f^2 is C^1 smooth at x_0 under condition (i). In fact, when both $y_1 \neq x_0$ and $y_2 \neq x_0$, by the assumption that there exists $i = 1$ or 2 such that $\{y_1, y_2\} \subseteq I_i$, which implies that (3.3) holds when $\{y_1, y_2\} \subseteq I_1$. It follows from (3.3) that (3.4) and (3.5) hold. Since we assumed that $f \in \hat{C}_{jj}^1(I, I)$. From the definition of $\hat{C}_{jj}^1(I, I)$, we see that f^2 is C^0 at x_0 by (i) of Theorem 2 in [8]. Moreover, we get from (3.4) and (3.5) that $D_- f^2(x_0) = D_+ f^2(x_0)$. It follows that f^2 is C^1 smooth at x_0 . The situation that $\{y_1, y_2\} \subseteq I_2$ can be proved similarly. When $y_1 = x_0$ and $y_2 \in I_i$ for $i = 1$ or 2 , which implies that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0 - 0} f_1(x) = y_1 = x_0$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0 + 0} f_2(x) = y_2 \in I_i$. For the case that $y_1 = x_0$ and $y_2 \in I_2$, by the continuity of f_1 on I_1 and f_2 on I_2 , we need to discuss three situations: $x_0 \in \Delta_{12}$, $x_0 \in \Delta_{02}$ and $x_0 \in \Delta_{22}$. We only consider the situation that $x_0 \in \Delta_{12}$ since the other situations can be discussed similarly. For the situation that $x_0 \in \Delta_{12}$, we see that (3.9) holds. It follows from (3.9) that (3.10) and (3.11) hold. Since we have assumed that $f \in \check{C}_{jj}^{(2,2)}(I, I)$. From the definition of $\check{C}_{jj}^{(2,2)}(I, I)$, we see that f^2 is C^0 at x_0 by (ii-1) of Theorem 2 in [8]. Moreover, we get from (3.10) and (3.11) that $D_- f^2(x_0) = D_+ f^2(x_0)$. It follows that f^2 is C^1 smooth at x_0 . The proof of the case that $y_1 = x_0$ and $y_2 \in I_1$ is similar to the proof of the case that $y_1 = x_0$ and $y_2 \in I_2$. We omit the proof of the case that $y_2 = x_0$ and $y_1 \in I_i$ for $i = 1$ or 2 because its proof is totally similar to the proof of the case that $y_1 = x_0$ and $y_2 \in I_i$ for $i = 1$ or 2 . Next, we prove that f^2 is C^1 smooth at ξ_p under condition (ii), where $\xi_p \in f^{-1}(I_0) \cap I_p$ for $p = 1$ or 2 . We only discuss the case that $\xi_1 \in f^{-1}(I_0) \cap I_1$ since the other one can be discussed similarly. By the assumption that $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{00} \cup \Delta_{11} \cup \Delta_{10} \cup \Delta_{01} \cup \Delta_{22} \cup \Delta_{20} \cup \Delta_{02}$, we need to discuss seven situations: $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{00}$, $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{11}$, $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{10}$, $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{01}$, $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{22}$, $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{20}$ and $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{02}$. In the first situation that $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{00}$, by the definition of Δ_{00} , we have

$$f^2(x) = \begin{cases} c, & x \in U_{\xi_1}^- \cup U_{\xi_1}^+, \\ c, & x = \xi_1. \end{cases}$$

Obviously, $\lim_{x \rightarrow \xi_1} f^2(x) = c = f^2(\xi_1)$ and $D_- f^2(\xi_1) = D_+ f^2(\xi_1) = 0$. It follows that f^2 is C^1 smooth at ξ_1 . In the second situation that $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{11}$, by the definition of Δ_{11} , we see that (3.24) holds. It follows from (3.24) that (3.25) and (3.26) hold. Since we have assumed that $f \in \mathbb{C}_{jj}^{11}(I, I)$. From the definition of $\mathbb{C}_{jj}^{11}(I, I)$, we see that f^2 is C^0 at ξ_1 by Theorem 2 of [8]. Moreover, we get from (3.25) and (3.26) that $D_- f^2(\xi_1) = D_+ f^2(\xi_1) = 0$. It follows that f^2 is C^1 smooth at ξ_1 . Similarly, we can prove that f^2 is C^1 smooth at ξ_1 when $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{10} \cup \Delta_{01} \cup \Delta_{22} \cup \Delta_{20} \cup \Delta_{02}$. Condition (i) and condition (ii) imply that f^2 is C^1 smooth on the whole domain I . Therefore, the proof of the theorem is completed. \square

Theorem 3.2. *Let $f \in V_{j\circ\mu}(I, I)$ for $\mu \in \{+, -, *\}$ and $x_0 \in (0, 1)$ be the unique discontinuity. Suppose that y_1 and y_2 are defined by (3.1). Then the iterate f^2 is C^1 smooth on I if and only if the following two conditions are both fulfilled:*

(i) *When both $y_1 \neq x_0$ and $y_2 \neq x_0$, there exists $i = 1$ or 2 such that $\{y_1, y_2\} \subseteq I_i$ and $f \in \mathbb{C}_{j\circ+}^{(i,1)}(I, I) \cup \mathbb{C}_{j\circ-}^{(i,2)}(I, I) \cup \mathbb{C}_{j\circ*}^i(I, I)$; When $y_1 = x_0$ and $y_2 \in I_i$ for $i = 1$ or 2 , either $f \in \tilde{\mathbb{C}}_{j\circ+}^{(i,1)}(I, I)$ if $x_0 \in \Delta_{1i}$, or $f \in \bar{\mathbb{C}}_{j\circ+}^{(i,2)}(I, I)$ if $x_0 \in \Delta_{0i}$, or $f \in \hat{\mathbb{C}}_{j\circ+}^{(i,2)}(I, I) \cup \check{\mathbb{C}}_{j\circ-}^{(i,2)}(I, I)$ if $x_0 \in \Delta_{2i}$; When $y_2 = x_0$ and $y_1 \in I_i$ for $i = 1$ or 2 , either $f \in \tilde{\mathbb{C}}_{j\circ-}^{(i,2)}(I, I)$ if $x_0 \in \Delta_{i2}$, or $f \in \bar{\mathbb{C}}_{j\circ-}^{(i,1)}(I, I)$ if $x_0 \in \Delta_{i0}$, or $f \in \hat{\mathbb{C}}_{j\circ-}^{(i,1)}(I, I) \cup \check{\mathbb{C}}_{j\circ+}^{(i,1)}(I, I)$ if $x_0 \in \Delta_{i1}$.*

(ii) *$\xi_p \in \Delta_{00} \cup \Delta_{11} \cup \Delta_{10} \cup \Delta_{01} \cup \Delta_{22} \cup \Delta_{20} \cup \Delta_{02}$ and for $i, p \in \{1, 2\}$, $f \in \mathbb{C}_{j\circ}^{ip}(I, I)$ if $\xi_p \in \Delta_{ii} \cup \Delta_{i0} \cup \Delta_{0i}$, where $\xi_p \in f^{-1}(I_0) \cap I_p$.*

Proof. For the **necessity**, we suppose that f^2 is C^1 smooth on I . From the location of y_1 and y_2 , similarly to Theorem 3.1, we also need to consider three cases: **(J-1)**, **(J-2)** and **(J-3)**. In what follows, we only consider case **(J-1)** and case **(J-2)** since the proof of case **(J-3)** is totally similar to the proof of case **(J-2)**.

In case **(J-1)**, i.e., both $y_1 \neq x_0$ and $y_2 \neq x_0$. Similarly to the proof of the necessity of case **(J-1)** in Theorem 3.1, there exists $i = 1$ or 2 such that $\{y_1, y_2\} \subseteq I_i$ and (3.2) holds. In the following, we only discuss the situation that $\{y_1, y_2\} \subseteq I_1$ since the other one can be discussed similarly. Under the situation that $\{y_1, y_2\} \subseteq I_1$, we see that (3.3) holds. Note that $f \in V_{j\circ\mu}(I, I)$ for $\mu \in \{+, -, *\}$. Then we need to discuss three subcases: **(J-1-o+)** $f \in V_{j\circ+}(I, I)$; **(J-1-o-)** $f \in V_{j\circ-}(I, I)$; **(J-1-o*)** $f \in V_{j\circ*}(I, I)$.

In subcase **(J-1-o+)**, $\tilde{y}_1 := \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(x)$ exists but $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(x)$ does not exist. It follows from (3.3) that

$$D_- f^2(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(f_1(x))f'_1(x) = f'_1(y_1)\tilde{y}_1, \quad (3.30)$$

$$D_+ f^2(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_1(f_2(x))f'_2(x). \quad (3.31)$$

Since f^2 is C^1 on I , we see that $D_+ f^2(x_0)$ exists. Note that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_1(f_2(x)) = f'_1(y_2)$. We claim that

$$f'_1(y_2) = 0. \quad (3.32)$$

In fact, if $f'_1(y_2) \neq 0$, It follows from (3.30) that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(x)$ exists since

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} \frac{f'_1(f_2(x))f'_2(x)}{f'_1(f_2(x))} = \frac{D_+ f^2(x_0)}{f'_1(y_2)},$$

which contradicts to our assumption that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(x)$ does not exist. Thus, the claim that (3.32) is proved. By the fact that f'_2 is bounded, we get from (3.30) and (3.32) that $D_+ f^2(x_0) = 0$. Since f^2 is

C^1 on I , we see that $D_-f^2(x_0) = D_+f^2(x_0)$. It follows from (3.30) and (3.31) that

$$f'_1(y_1)\tilde{y}_1 = f'_1(y_2) = 0. \quad (3.33)$$

Note that $i = k = 1$. It follows from (3.2) and (3.33) that $f \in \mathcal{C}_{jo^+}^{(1,1)}(I, I)$.

In subcase **(J-1-o-)**, $\tilde{y}_2 := \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(x)$ exists but $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(x)$ does not exist. Using a similar argument to the proof of subcase **(J-1-o+)**, we can get that

$$f'_1(y_2)\tilde{y}_2 = f'_1(y_1) = 0. \quad (3.34)$$

Note that $i = 1$ and $k = 2$. It follows from (3.2) and (3.34) that $f \in \mathcal{C}_{jo^-}^{(1,2)}(I, I)$.

In subcase **(J-1-o*)**, neither $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(x)$ nor $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(x)$ exists. It follows from (3.3) that

$$\begin{aligned} D_-f^2(x_0) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(f_1(x))f'_1(x), \\ D_+f^2(x_0) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_1(f_2(x))f'_2(x). \end{aligned}$$

Since f^2 is C^1 on I , we see that both $D_-f^2(x_0)$ and $D_+f^2(x_0)$ exist. Note that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(f_1(x)) = f'_1(y_1)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_1(f_2(x)) = f'_1(y_2)$. Similarly to subcase **(J-1-o+)**, we can get that

$$f'_1(y_1) = f'_1(y_2) = 0. \quad (3.35)$$

Note that $i = 1$. It follows from (3.2) and (3.35) that $f \in \mathcal{C}_{jo^*}^1(I, I)$.

In case **(J-2)**, i.e., $y_1 = x_0$ and $y_2 \in I_i$ for $i = 1$ or 2 . In the following, we only discuss the situation that $y_1 = x_0$ and $y_2 \in I_2$ since the other one can be discussed similarly. Using a similar discussion to the proof of the necessity of case **(J-2)** in Theorem 3.1, we obtain (3.7) when $y_1 = x_0$ and $y_2 \in I_2$. Note that $f \in V_{j\mu}(I, I)$ for $\mu \in \{+, -, *\}$. Then we need to discuss three subcases: **(J-2-o+)** $f \in V_{jo^+}(I, I)$; **(J-2-o-)** $f \in V_{jo^-}(I, I)$; **(J-2-o*)** $f \in V_{jo^*}(I, I)$.

In subcase **(J-2-o+)**, $\tilde{y}_1 := \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(x)$ exists but $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(x)$ does not exist. By (3.7) we need to discuss in three situations: $x_0 \in \Delta_{12}$, $x_0 \in \Delta_{02}$ and $x_0 \in \Delta_{22}$. In the first situation that $x_0 \in \Delta_{12}$, by **(ii-1)** of Theorem 2 in [8] and its proof, we see that (3.8) holds. By the definition of Δ_{12} and $x_0 \in \Delta_{12}$, we obtain (3.9). Note that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1(x) = y_1 = x_0$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2(x) = y_2 \in I_2$. Thus, $f_1(x) \rightarrow x_0 - 0$ as $x \rightarrow x_0 - 0$ and $f_2(x) \rightarrow y_2$ as $x \rightarrow x_0 + 0$. It follows from (3.9) that (3.10) and

$$D_+f^2(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(f_2(x))f'_2(x). \quad (3.36)$$

Since f^2 is C^1 on I , we see that $D_+f^2(x_0)$ exists. Note that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(f_2(x)) = f'_2(y_2)$. Similarly to subcase **(J-1-o+)**, we can get that

$$f'_2(y_2) = 0. \quad (3.37)$$

By the fact that f'_2 is bounded, we get from (3.36) and (3.37) that $D_+f^2(x_0) = 0$. Since f^2 is C^1 on I , we see that $D_-f^2(x_0) = D_+f^2(x_0)$. It follows from (3.10) and (3.36) that

$$\tilde{y}_1 = f'_2(y_2) = 0. \quad (3.38)$$

Note that $i = 2$ and $k = 1$. It follows from (3.8) and (3.38) that $f \in \tilde{C}_{j_0^+}^{(2,1)}(I, I)$. In the second situation that $x_0 \in \Delta_{02}$, we obtain (3.13) similarly. By the definition of Δ_{02} and $x_0 \in \Delta_{02}$, we see that (3.14) holds. Note that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2(x) = y_2 \in I_2$. We obtain from (3.14) that (3.15) and (3.36). Similarly to the proof of the first situation that $x_0 \in \Delta_{12}$, we can get that (3.37) holds. It follows from (3.13) and (3.37) that $f \in \tilde{C}_{j_0^+}^{(2,2)}(I, I)$. Finally, in the three situation that $x_0 \in \Delta_{22}$. Similarly, we get that (3.17) holds. By the definition of Δ_{22} and $x_0 \in \Delta_{22}$, we obtain (3.18). Note that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1(x) = y_1 = x_0$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2(x) = y_2 \in I_2$. Thus, $f_1(x) \rightarrow x_0 + 0$ as $x \rightarrow x_0 - 0$ and $f_2(x) \rightarrow y_2$ as $x \rightarrow x_0 + 0$. From (3.18) we obtain (3.36) and

$$D_- f^2(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_2'(f_1(x))f_1'(x).$$

Since f^2 is C^1 on I , we see that both $D_- f^2(x_0)$ and $D_+ f^2(x_0)$ exist. Note that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_2'(f_1(x)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2'(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2'(f_2(x)) = f_2'(y_2)$. We claim that (3.38) holds. In fact, if $\tilde{y}_1 \neq 0$ or $f_2'(y_2) \neq 0$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2'(x)$ exists since

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2'(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_2'(f_1(x)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} \frac{f_2'(f_1(x))f_1'(x)}{f_1'(x)} = \frac{D_- f^2(x_0)}{\tilde{y}_1}$$

or

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2'(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} \frac{f_2'(f_2(x))f_2'(x)}{f_2'(f_2(x))} = \frac{D_+ f^2(x_0)}{f_2'(y_2)},$$

which contradicts to our assumption that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2'(x)$ does not exist. Thus, the claim that (3.38) is proved. Note that $i = k = 2$. It follows from (3.17) and (3.38) that $f \in \hat{C}_{j_0^+}^{(2,2)}(I, I)$.

In subcase **(J-2-0-)**, $\tilde{y}_2 := \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2'(x)$ exists but $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1'(x)$ does not exist. We claim that

$$x_0 \in \Delta_{12} \cup \Delta_{22}. \quad (3.39)$$

By (3.7) we need to deny the situation that $x_0 \in \Delta_{02}$. If $x_0 \in \Delta_{02}$, by the definition of Δ_{02} and $x_0 \in \Delta_{02}$, there are a left half neighborhood $U_{x_0}^-$ of x_0 such that $f_1(x) = x_0$ for every $x \in U_{x_0}^-$. It follows that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1'(x) = 0$, which contradicts to our assumption that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1'(x)$ does not exist. Thus, the claim that (3.39) is proved. By (3.39) we need to discuss in two situations: $x_0 \in \Delta_{12}$ and $x_0 \in \Delta_{22}$. In the first situation that $x_0 \in \Delta_{12}$, we obtain (3.9). It follows from (3.9) that

$$D_- f^2(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1'(f_1(x))f_1'(x).$$

Note that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1'(f_1(x)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1'(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1'(x)$ does not exist but f_1' is bounded. It is hard to judge the existence of the limit $D_- f^2(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1'(f_1(x))f_1'(x)$. Thus, we omit the discussion for the situation $x_0 \in \Delta_{12}$. In the two situation that $x_0 \in \Delta_{22}$. Similarly, we get that (3.17) holds. By the definition of Δ_{22} and $x_0 \in \Delta_{22}$, we obtain (3.18). Note that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1(x) = y_1 = x_0$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2(x) = y_2 \in I_2$. Thus, $f_1(x) \rightarrow x_0 + 0$ as $x \rightarrow x_0 - 0$ and $f_2(x) \rightarrow y_2$ as $x \rightarrow x_0 + 0$. From (3.18) we obtain (3.11) and (3.39). Since f^2 is C^1 on I , we see that $D_- f^2(x_0)$ exists. Note that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_2'(f_1(x)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2'(x) = \tilde{y}_2$. Similarly to the proof of the three situation that $x_0 \in \Delta_{22}$ of subcase **(J-2-0+)**, we can get that

$$\tilde{y}_2 = 0. \quad (3.40)$$

Note that $i = k = 2$. It follows from (3.17) and (3.40) that $f \in \check{C}_{jo-}^{(2,2)}(I, I)$.

In subcase **(J-2-0*)**, neither $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1'(x)$ nor $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2'(x)$ exists, using a similar discussion to the proof of the the second subcase that $f \in V_{jo-}(I, I)$, we can get that (3.39) holds and we can not judge the existence of the limit $D_- f^2(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1'(f_1(x))f_1'(x)$ or the limit $D_- f^2(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_2'(f_1(x))f_1'(x)$ as $x_0 \in \Delta_{12} \cup \Delta_{22}$. Thus, condition **(i)** holds.

Next, we prove that condition **(ii)** holds. Suppose that a point ξ_p in $f^{-1}(I_0) \cap I_p$ for $p = 1$ or 2 . In the following, we only consider a point ξ_1 in $f^{-1}(I_0) \cap I_1$ since the other one can be discussed similarly. Using a similar discussion to the proof of the necessity of condition **(ii)** in Theorem 3.1, we can obtain (3.22) and (3.23) when $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{ii} \cup \Delta_{i0} \cup \Delta_{0i}$ for $i = 1$ or 2 . In the following, we only discuss the situation that $i = 1$, i.e.,

$$\xi_1 \in \Delta_{11} \cup \Delta_{10} \cup \Delta_{01}. \quad (3.41)$$

The other one can be discussed similarly. Since $f \in V_{jo\mu}(I, I)$ for $\mu \in \{+, -, *\}$. Then we need to discuss three subcases: **(jo+)** $f \in V_{jo+}(I, I)$; **(jo-)** $f \in V_{jo-}(I, I)$; **(jo*)** $f \in V_{jo*}(I, I)$.

In subcase **(jo+)**, $\tilde{y}_1 := \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1'(x)$ exists but $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2'(x)$ does not exist. Similarly to the proof of the necessity of condition **(ii)** in Theorem 3.1, we can get that $f \in \check{C}_{jo}^{11}(I, I)$.

In subcase **(jo-)**, $\tilde{y}_2 := \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f_2'(x)$ exists but $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1'(x)$ does not exist. By (3.41) we need to discuss in three situations: $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{11}$, $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{10}$ and $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{01}$. In the first situation that $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{11}$, we see that (3.24) holds. Note that $f_1(x) \rightarrow x_0 - 0$ as $x \rightarrow \xi_1$. From (3.24) we get that the derivative of f^2 at ξ_1

$$Df^2(\xi_1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \xi_1} f_1'(f_1(x))f_1'(x). \quad (3.42)$$

Since f^2 is C^1 on I , we see that $Df^2(\xi_1)$ exists. Note that $\lim_{x \rightarrow \xi_1} f_1'(f_1(x)) = \lim_{y \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1'(y)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow \xi_1} f_1'(x) = f_1'(\xi_1)$. We claim that (3.27) is true. In fact, if (3.27) is not true, i.e., $f_1'(\xi_1) \neq 0$, then we get from (3.42) that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1'(x)$ exists since

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1'(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \xi_1} f_1'(f_1(x)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \xi_1} \frac{f_1'(f_1(x))f_1'(x)}{f_1'(x)} = \frac{Df^2(\xi_1)}{f_1'(\xi_1)},$$

which contradicts to our assumption that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1'(x)$ does not exist. This proves the claimed (3.27). Note that $i = p = 1$. From (3.23) and (3.27) we see that $f \in \check{C}_{jo}^{11}(I, I)$. In the second situation that $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{10}$, we see that (3.28) holds. Note that $f_1(x) \rightarrow x_0 - 0$ as $x \rightarrow \xi_1 - 0$. From (3.28) we obtain (3.29) and

$$D_- f^2(\xi_1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \xi_1-0} f_1'(f_1(x))f_1'(x). \quad (3.43)$$

Since f^2 is C^1 on I , we see that $D_- f^2(\xi_1)$ exists. Note that $\lim_{x \rightarrow \xi_1-0} f_1'(f_1(x)) = \lim_{y \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1'(y)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow \xi_1} f_1'(x) = f_1'(\xi_1)$. We claim that (3.27) is true. In fact, if (3.27) is not true, i.e., $f_1'(\xi_1) \neq 0$, then we get from (3.43) that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1'(x)$ exists since

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1'(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \xi_1-0} f_1'(f_1(x)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \xi_1-0} \frac{f_1'(f_1(x))f_1'(x)}{f_1'(x)} = \frac{D_- f^2(\xi_1)}{f_1'(\xi_1)},$$

which contradicts to our assumption that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f_1'(x)$ does not exist. This proves the claimed (3.27). From (3.23) and (3.27) we see that $f \in \check{C}_{jo}^{11}(I, I)$ since $i = p = 1$ and $f \in V_{jo}(I, I)$. In the third situation

that $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{01}$, using a similar discussion to the proof of the second situation that $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{10}$, we can get that $f \in \mathcal{C}_{j_0}^{11}(I, I)$.

In subcase (**jo***), neither $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(x)$ nor $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(x)$ exists. Using a similar discussion to the proof of subcase (**jo-**), we can get that $f \in \mathcal{C}_{j_0}^{11}(I, I)$ when $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{11} \cup \Delta_{10} \cup \Delta_{01}$. It follows that condition (**ii**) holds.

For the **sufficiency**, using a similar arguments to the proof of sufficiency in Theorem 3.1, we can prove that f^2 is C^1 smooth on the whole domain I . Therefore, the theorem is proved. \square

Theorem 3.3. Let $f \in V_{j_{\infty\mu}}(I, I)$ for $\mu \in \{+, -, *\}$ and $x_0 \in (0, 1)$ be the unique discontinuity. Suppose that y_1 and y_2 are defined by (3.1) and the iterate f^2 is C^1 smooth on I . Then the following two conditions are both fulfilled:

(i) When both $y_1 \neq x_0$ and $y_2 \neq x_0$, there exists $i = 1$ or 2 such that $\{y_1, y_2\} \subseteq I_i$ and $f \in \mathcal{C}_{j_{\infty+}}^{(i,1)}(I, I) \cup \mathcal{C}_{j_{\infty-}}^{(i,2)}(I, I) \cup \mathcal{C}_{j_{\infty*}}^i(I, I)$; When $y_1 = x_0$ and $y_2 \in I_i$ for $i = 1$ or 2 , either $f \in \tilde{\mathcal{C}}_{j_{\infty+}}^{(i,1)}(I, I)$ if $x_0 \in \Delta_{1i}$, or $f \in \tilde{\mathcal{C}}_{j_{\infty+}}^{(i,2)}(I, I)$ if $x_0 \in \Delta_{0i}$, or $f \in \hat{\mathcal{C}}_{j_{\infty+}}^{(i,2)}(I, I) \cup \check{\mathcal{C}}_{j_{\infty-}}^{(i,2)}(I, I)$ if $x_0 \in \Delta_{2i}$; When $y_2 = x_0$ and $y_1 \in I_i$ for $i = 1$ or 2 , either $f \in \tilde{\mathcal{C}}_{j_{\infty-}}^{(i,2)}(I, I)$ if $x_0 \in \Delta_{i2}$, or $f \in \tilde{\mathcal{C}}_{j_{\infty-}}^{(i,1)}(I, I)$ if $x_0 \in \Delta_{i0}$, or $f \in \hat{\mathcal{C}}_{j_{\infty-}}^{(i,1)}(I, I) \cup \check{\mathcal{C}}_{j_{\infty+}}^{(i,1)}(I, I)$ if $x_0 \in \Delta_{i1}$.

(ii) $\xi_p \in \Delta_{00} \cup \Delta_{11} \cup \Delta_{10} \cup \Delta_{01} \cup \Delta_{22} \cup \Delta_{20} \cup \Delta_{02}$ and for $i, p \in \{1, 2\}$, $f \in \mathcal{C}_{j_{\infty}}^{ip}(I, I)$ if $\xi_p \in \Delta_{ii} \cup \Delta_{i0} \cup \Delta_{0i}$, where $\xi_p \in f^{-1}(I_0) \cap I_p$.

Proof. Using a similar discussion to the proof of the necessity in Theorem 3.2, one can prove that both condition (i) and condition (ii) hold if f^2 is C^1 smooth on I . Therefore, this completes the proof. \square

Notice that the above Theorem 3.3 does not give sufficient conditions of f^2 to be C^1 because it is hard to determine the existence of either $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_i(f_1(x))f'_1(x)$ or $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_i(f_2(x))f'_2(x)$ for $i = 1$ or 2 . In fact, we assume that $\{y_1, y_2\} \subseteq I_1$ and $f \in \mathcal{C}_{j_{\infty+}}^{(1,1)}(I, I)$. A similar discussion to the proof in Theorem 3.2, we can get that

$$D_- f^2(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0-0} f'_1(f_1(x))f'_1(x),$$

$$D_+ f^2(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_1(f_2(x))f'_2(x).$$

Note that $f \in \mathcal{C}_{j_{\infty+}}^{(1,1)}(I, I)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_1(f_2(x)) = f'_1(y_2)$. By the definition of $\mathcal{C}_{j_{\infty+}}^{(1,1)}(I, I)$, we see that $f'_1(y_2) = 0$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_2(x) = \infty$. Thus, it is hard to judge the existence of the limit $D_+ f^2(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0+0} f'_1(f_2(x))f'_2(x)$. We similarly see difficulty in other cases.

4. Examples

We demonstrate our theorems with some examples.

Example 4.1. Consider the mapping $F_1 : (0, 1) \rightarrow (0, 1)$ (see Figure 3) defined by

$$F_1(x) = \begin{cases} -x + 1, & 0 < x < \frac{1}{3}, \\ \frac{1}{12}, & x = \frac{1}{3}, \\ -\frac{9}{4}(x - \frac{2}{3})^2 + \frac{11}{12}, & \frac{1}{3} < x < 1, \end{cases}$$

which has a unique removable discontinuity at $x_0 = \frac{1}{3}$ since

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{3}^-} F_1(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{3}^+} F_1(x) = \frac{2}{3} \neq F_1\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{12}.$$

Moreover,

$$\tilde{y}_1 = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{3}^-} f'_1(x) = -1 \neq \tilde{y}_2 = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{3}^+} f'_2(x) = \frac{3}{2},$$

where $f_1(x) = -x + 1$, $f_2(x) = -\frac{9}{4}(x - \frac{2}{3})^2 + \frac{11}{12}$. It follows that $F_1 \in V_{rj}(I, D)$. Note that $I_1 = (0, \frac{1}{3})$, $I_2 = (\frac{1}{3}, 1)$. One sees that $c = \frac{1}{12} \in I_1$, $y_0 = \frac{2}{3} \in I_2$ and $F_1(I_1 \cup I_2) \subseteq I_2$ holds. It is easy to check that $F_1(y_0) = f_2(y_0) = f_1(c)$ and $F'_1(y_0) = f'_2(y_0) = 0$, i.e., $F_1 \in \mathcal{C}_{rj}(I, D)$. It follows that the assumption in Theorem 2.1 is satisfied. Furthermore, one can compute

$$F_1^2(x) = \begin{cases} -\frac{9}{4}(x - \frac{1}{3})^2 + \frac{11}{12}, & 0 < x < \frac{1}{3}, \\ \frac{11}{12}, & x = \frac{1}{3}, \\ -\frac{9}{64}(9(x - \frac{2}{3})^2 - 1)^2 + \frac{11}{12}, & \frac{1}{3} < x < 1, \end{cases}$$

which is C^1 smooth on $(0, 1)$ as shown in Figure 4.

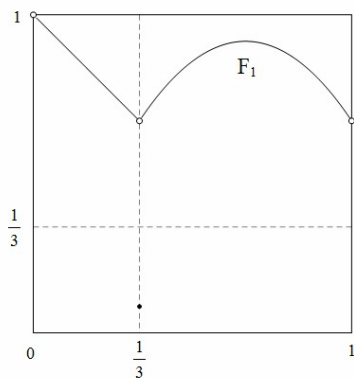


Figure 3. $F_1 \in \mathcal{C}_{rj}(I, D)$.

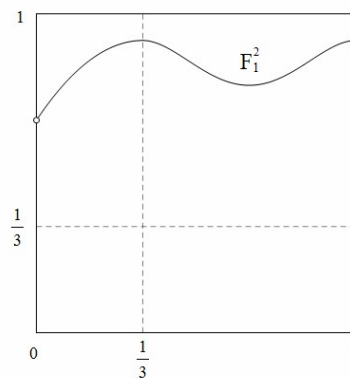


Figure 4. F_1^2 is C^1 on $(0, 1)$.

Example 4.2. Consider the mapping $F_2 : (0, 1) \rightarrow (0, 1)$ (see Figure 5) defined by

$$F_2(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}, & 0 < x \leq \frac{3}{8}, \\ \frac{32}{3}(x - \frac{3}{8})^2 + \frac{1}{2}, & \frac{3}{8} < x < \frac{1}{2}, \\ \frac{5}{6}, & x = \frac{1}{2}, \\ \frac{16}{3}(x - \frac{3}{4})^2 + \frac{1}{2}, & \frac{1}{2} < x < 1, \end{cases}$$

which has a unique jumping discontinuity at $x_0 = \frac{1}{2}$ since

$$y_1 = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}^-} F_2(x) = \frac{2}{3} \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}^+} F_2(x) = \frac{5}{6} = y_2.$$

Moreover,

$$\tilde{y}_1 = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}^-} f'_1(x) = \frac{8}{3} \neq \tilde{y}_2 = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}^+} f'_2(x) = -\frac{8}{3},$$

where

$$f_1(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}, & 0 < x \leq \frac{3}{8}, \\ \frac{32}{3}(x - \frac{3}{8})^2 + \frac{1}{2}, & \frac{3}{8} < x < \frac{1}{2}, \end{cases} \quad f_2(x) = \frac{16}{3}(x - \frac{3}{4})^2 + \frac{1}{2}.$$

It follows that $F_2 \in V_{jj}(I, I)$. Note that $I_1 = (0, \frac{1}{2}), I_2 = (\frac{1}{2}, 1)$. One can check that $\{y_1, y_2\} \subseteq I_2$, $c = \frac{5}{6} \in I_2$, $f_2(y_1) = f_2(y_2) = f_2(c)$, $f_2'(y_1)\tilde{y}_1 = f_2'(y_2)\tilde{y}_2$, which implies that $F_2 \in \hat{C}_{jj}^{(2,1)}(I, I)$. Moreover, one sees that $\xi_1 = \frac{3}{8} \in F_2^{-1}(I_0) \cap I_1$, $\xi_2 = \frac{3}{4} \in F_2^{-1}(I_0) \cap I_2$, $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{02}$ and $\xi_2 \in \Delta_{22}$. It is easy to check that $y_2 = c$ and $f_p'(\xi_p) = 0$, i.e., $F_2 \in \mathcal{C}_{jj}^{2p}(I, I)$ for $p = 1, 2$, which implies that both assumption (i) and assumption (ii) in Theorem 3.1 are satisfied. Actually, one can compute

$$F_2^2(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{5}{6}, & 0 < x \leq \frac{3}{8}, \\ \frac{16}{3}(\frac{32}{3}(x - \frac{3}{8})^2 - \frac{1}{4})^2 + \frac{1}{2}, & \frac{3}{8} < x \leq \frac{1}{2}, \\ \frac{16}{3}(\frac{16}{3}(x - \frac{3}{4})^2 - \frac{1}{4})^2 + \frac{1}{2}, & \frac{1}{2} < x < 1, \end{cases}$$

which is C^1 smooth on $(0, 1)$ as shown in Figure 6.

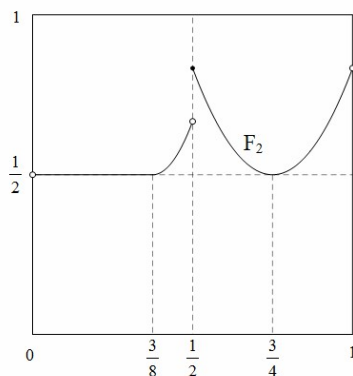


Figure 5. $F_2 \in \hat{C}_{jj}^{(2,1)}(I, I) \cap \mathcal{C}_{jj}^{21}(I, I) \cap \mathcal{C}_{jj}^{22}(I, I)$.

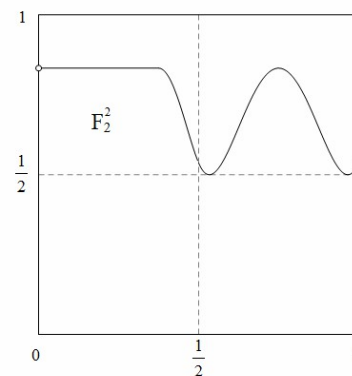


Figure 6. F_2^2 is C^1 on $(0, 1)$.

Example 4.3. Consider the mapping $F_3 : (0, 1) \rightarrow (0, 1)$ (see Figure 7) defined by

$$F_3(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{3}, & 0 < x \leq \frac{1}{3}, \\ \frac{1}{3} + (\frac{1}{2} - x)^2 \sin^2 \frac{\pi}{6(\frac{1}{2}-x)}, & \frac{1}{3} < x < \frac{1}{2}, \\ \frac{1}{4}, & x = \frac{1}{2}, \\ \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{6}(x - \frac{1}{2})^2 \cos^2 \frac{1}{x-\frac{1}{2}}, & \frac{1}{2} < x < 1, \end{cases}$$

which has a unique jumping discontinuity at $x_0 = \frac{1}{2}$ since

$$y_1 = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}-0} F_3(x) = \frac{1}{3} \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}+0} F_3(x) = \frac{1}{6} = y_2.$$

Moreover, neither

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}-0} f_1'(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}-0} \left[-2\left(\frac{1}{2} - x\right) \sin^2 \frac{\pi}{6(\frac{1}{2}-x)} + \frac{\pi}{6} \sin \frac{\pi}{3(\frac{1}{2}-x)} \right]$$

nor

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}+0} f'_2(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}+0} \left[\frac{1}{3} \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right) \cos^2 \frac{1}{x - \frac{1}{2}} + \frac{1}{6} \sin \frac{2}{x - \frac{1}{2}} \right]$$

exists but f'_1 and f'_2 are both bounded, where

$$f_1(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{3}, & 0 < x \leq \frac{1}{3}, \\ \frac{1}{3} + \left(\frac{1}{2} - x\right)^2 \sin^2 \frac{\pi}{6\left(\frac{1}{2} - x\right)}, & \frac{1}{3} < x < \frac{1}{2}, \end{cases} \quad f_2(x) = \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{6} \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \cos^2 \frac{1}{x - \frac{1}{2}}.$$

It follows that $F_3 \in V_{jo^*}(I, I)$. Note that $I_1 = (0, \frac{1}{2}), I_2 = (\frac{1}{2}, 1)$. It is easy to check that $c = \frac{1}{4}, \{y_1, y_2\} \subseteq I_1, f_1(y_1) = f_1(y_2) = f_1(c), f'_1(y_1) = f'_1(y_2) = 0$, which implies that $F_3 \in \mathcal{C}^1_{jo^*}(I, I)$. Note that $F_3^{-1}(I_0) \cap I_p = \emptyset$ for $p = 1, 2$. It follows that assumption (i) in Theorem 3.2 is satisfied. On the other hand, one can compute

$$F_3^2(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{3}, & 0 < x \leq \frac{1}{3}, \\ \frac{1}{3} + \left[\frac{1}{6} - \left(\frac{1}{2} - x\right)^2 \sin^2 \frac{\pi}{6\left(\frac{1}{2} - x\right)}\right]^2 \sin^2 \frac{\pi}{6\left[\frac{1}{6} - \left(\frac{1}{2} - x\right)^2 \sin^2 \frac{\pi}{6\left(\frac{1}{2} - x\right)}\right]}, & \frac{1}{3} < x < \frac{1}{2}, \\ \frac{1}{3}, & \frac{1}{2} \leq x < 1, \end{cases}$$

which is C^1 smooth on $(0, 1)$ as shown in Figure 8.

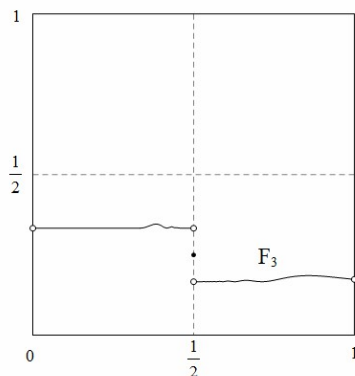


Figure 7. $F_3 \in \mathcal{C}^1_{jo^*}(I, I)$.

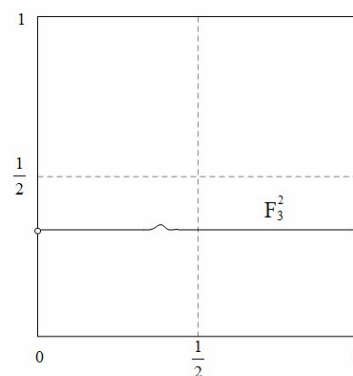


Figure 8. F_3^2 is C^1 on $(0, 1)$.

Example 4.4. Consider the mapping $F_4 : (0, 1) \rightarrow (0, 1)$ (see Figure 9) defined by

$$F_4(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{3}{8}, & 0 < x < \frac{1}{2}, \\ \frac{5}{8}, & x = \frac{1}{2}, \\ \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{7}{16}, & \frac{1}{2} < x < 1, \end{cases}$$

which has a unique jumping discontinuity at $x_0 = \frac{1}{2}$ since

$$y_1 = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}-0} F_4(x) = \frac{5}{8} \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}+0} F_4(x) = \frac{11}{16} = y_2.$$

Moreover,

$$\tilde{y}_1 = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}-0} f'_1(x) = \frac{1}{2} = \tilde{y}_2 = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}+0} f'_2(x),$$

where $f_1(x) = \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{3}{8}$, $f_2(x) = \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{7}{16}$. It follows that $F_4 \in V_{jr}(I, I)$. Note that $I_1 = (0, \frac{1}{2})$, $I_2 = (\frac{1}{2}, 1)$. One can check that $\{y_1, y_2\} \subseteq I_2$, $c = \frac{5}{8} \in I_2$, $f_2(y_1) = \frac{3}{4} \neq f_2(y_2) = \frac{25}{32}$, which implies that $F_4 \notin \hat{C}_{jr}^{(2,1)}(I, I)$, i.e., assumption (i) in Theorem 3.1 is not satisfied. Moreover, one sees that $\xi_1 = \frac{1}{4} \in F_4^{-1}(I_0) \cap I_1$ and $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{12}$. It follows that assumption (ii) in Theorem 3.1 is not satisfied. Actually, one can compute

$$F_4^2(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{9}{16}, & 0 < x < \frac{1}{4}, \\ \frac{5}{8}, & x = \frac{1}{4}, \\ \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{5}{8}, & \frac{1}{4} < x < \frac{1}{2}, \\ \frac{3}{4}, & x = \frac{1}{2}, \\ \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{21}{32}, & \frac{1}{2} < x < 1, \end{cases}$$

which is not C^1 smooth on $(0, 1)$ with two nonsmooth points $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$ as shown in Figure 10.

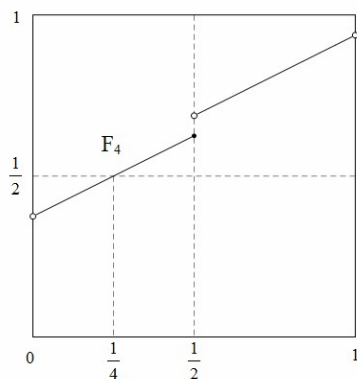


Figure 9. $F_4 \notin \hat{C}_{jr}^{(2,1)}(I, I)$ and $\xi_1 \in \Delta_{12}$.

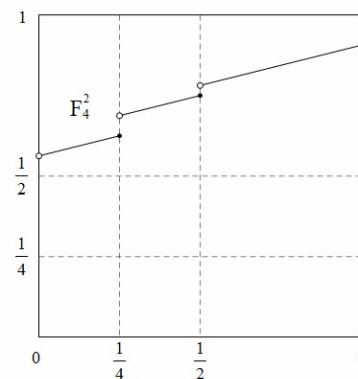


Figure 10. F_4^2 is not C^1 on $(0, 1)$.

Notice that we assumed that the mapping f is defined by (1.1) on an open interval $I = (0, 1)$. If we want to discuss on a closed interval $\bar{I} = [0, 1]$, we can turn to discuss the extension

$$\hat{f}(x) = \begin{cases} f(0), & x \in (-1, 0], \\ f(x), & x \in [0, 1], \\ f(1), & x \in [1, 2), \end{cases}$$

instead on the open interval $(-1, 2)$, where $f'_+(0) = f'_-(1) = 0$. Clearly, $\hat{f} \in V(\bar{I}, \bar{I})$.

5. Conclusions

Removable discontinuity and jumping discontinuity whose second order C^1 smoothness have been discussed in this paper, the other type of smoothness is oscillatory discontinuity, whose second order C^1 smoothness will be discussed in the next work.

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