Final Exam

Question 1

Given that $c \in (a, b)$, with

(a) $f \in R[a, c]$ and

(b) $f \in R[b, c]$

Need that $f \in R[a, b]$

Proof. Need to show that,

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists P \in \mathbb{P}([a, b]) : U(P, f) - L(P, f) < \epsilon$$

Fix any $\epsilon > 0$.

By (a), have that

$$\exists P \in \mathbb{P}([a,c]) : U(P,f) - L(P,f) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

By (b), have that

$$\exists Q \in \mathbb{P}([c,b]): U(Q,f) - L(Q,f) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

Consider

$$U(P, f) + U(Q, f) = \sum_{i=1}^{p} M_i \delta t_i + \sum_{i=1}^{q} M'_i \delta t'_i$$

where M_i and t_i correspond to P, while where M'_i and t'_i correspond to Q.

Taking $S := P \cup Q$ so that $S \in \mathbb{P}([a, b])$, giving $S = \{a < t_1 < t_2 < ... < c < t'_1 < t'_2 < ... < b\}$ where $t_i \in P$ and $t'_i \in Q$, so that,

$$U(S, f) = \sum_{i=1}^{p+q} M_i'' \delta t_i = \sum_{i=1}^{p} M_i \delta t_i + \sum_{i=p+1}^{q} M_{i-p}' \delta t_{i-p}'$$

= $U(P, f) + U(Q, f)$

Repeating the same argument for lower sums,

$$L(P, f) + L(Q, f) = \sum_{i=1}^{p} m_i \delta t_i + \sum_{i=1}^{q} m'_i \delta t'_i$$

where m_i and t_i correspond to P, while where m'_i and t'_i correspond to Q. Taking $S := P \cup Q$ so that $S \in \mathbb{P}([a, b])$, giving $S = \{a < t_1 < t_2 < ... < c < t'_1 < t'_2 < ... < b\}$ where $t_i \in P$ and $t'_i \in Q$, so that,

$$L(S, f) = \sum_{i=1}^{p+q} m_i'' \delta t_i = \sum_{i=1}^{p} m_i \delta t_i + \sum_{i=p+1}^{q} m_{i-p}' \delta t_{i-p}'$$

= $L(P, f) + L(Q, f)$

Hence,

$$\begin{split} U(S,f)-L(S,f) &= (U(P,f)+U(Q,f))-(L(P,f)+L(Q,f))\\ &= U(P,f)-L(P,f)+U(Q,f)-L(Q,f)\\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{2}+\frac{\epsilon}{2}=\epsilon \end{split}$$

Question 2

Suppose $P \in \mathbb{P}([a,b])$ such that U(P,f) = L(P,f). Prove that f is a constant function.

Proof. As U(P, f) = L(P, f),

$$\sum_{i=1}^{p} M_i \delta t_i = \sum_{i=1}^{p} m_i \delta t_i \implies \sum_{i=1}^{p} (M_i - m_i) \delta t_i = 0$$

But, as each $\delta_i > 0$, it must be that each $M_i - m_i = 0$.

Hence, f is constant in every $\Delta t_i = [t_{i-1}, t_i]$.

So, suppose(if possible) f is not constant over [a,b],

Then, there must be some $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\Delta t_k, \Delta t_{k+\alpha}$ such that f takes distinct values in them.

Then, as f is constant on them, $f(t_k) \neq f(t_{k+\alpha})$

But, f is constant on $\Delta t_k = [t_{k-1}, t_k]$ and $\Delta t_{k+1} = [t_k, t_{k+1}]$ and as, t_k , is in both, f attains same value on both.

Now, Δt_{k+1} and Δt_{k+2} share t_{k+1} thus fixing the value of f to be the same over both of them. And, this is the same value as that on Δt_k , i.e. $f(t_k)$.

Repeating the above argument $\alpha - 2$ more times, the value on $\Delta t_{k+\alpha}$ also becomes $f(t_k)$, i.e. $f(t_k) = f(t_{k+\alpha})$ Hence, our supposition was incorrect, and f is constant over [a,b].

Question 4

Determine whether $x(1+\frac{1}{n})$ converges uniformly on \mathbb{R} .

Proof. To show pointwise convergence,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} f_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(x + \frac{x}{n} \right) = x$$

To show that it converges non uniformly, need an ϵ for which every δ fails for some $x \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\exists \epsilon : \forall \delta, \exists x \text{ such that } \left(\exists n, m > \delta \text{ with } |f_n(x) - f_m(x)| \geq \epsilon \right)$$

Take $\epsilon = 0.5$, and fix any $\delta > 0$.

Now, take $n = \delta + 1$ and $m = \delta + 2$. Take $x = \frac{1}{(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{m})}$ So,

$$|f_n(x) - f_m(x)| = |\left(x(1 + \frac{1}{n}) - x(1 + \frac{1}{m})\right)|$$

$$= |x\left((1 + \frac{1}{n}) - (1 + \frac{1}{m})\right)|$$

$$= |\frac{1}{(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{m})}(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{m})| = 1 > 0.5 = \epsilon$$