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**Practice Final Answers**

**MTH301A - Analysis I**

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Write your **Name** and **Roll number** above.
2. This exam contains **6 + 1** questions and is worth **60%** of your grade.
3. Answer **ALL** questions.

**Question 1. [5 × 2 Points]**

For each of the following statements, determine whether it is **true or false**. No justification required.

- (i) Every compact metric space is separable.
- (ii) There exists a function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  which is everywhere differentiable and  $f'(x)$  is discontinuous at every irrational  $x$ .
- (iii) If  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a bounded Riemann integrable function and  $\int_a^b |f(x)| dx = 0$ , then  $f$  is identically zero on  $[a, b]$ .
- (iv) The sequence of functions  $\langle nx^n : n \geq 1 \rangle$  uniformly converges to 0 on  $[0, 0.9]$ .
- (v) The set  $\{p(x^2) : p(x) \text{ is a polynomial with rational coefficients}\}$  is dense in  $C([-1, 1], d_\infty)$ .

**Solution**

- (i) **True.** HW 67(b).
- (ii) **False.**  $f'$  is a Baire class one function. Hence the set of points of continuity of  $f'$  is a countable intersection of open dense subsets of  $[a, b]$  which is not equal to  $[a, b] \setminus \mathbb{Q}$ .
- (iii) **False.** Let  $f : [0, 1]$  be the characteristic function of  $\{0.5\}$ .
- (iv) **True.**
- (v) **False.** Consider  $f(x) = \sin x$  (or any function that is not even on  $[-1, 1]$ ).

**Question 2. [10 Points]**

- (a) **[5 Points]** Let  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a bounded Riemann integrable function. Let  $g : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function such that  $\{x \in [0, 1] : f(x) \neq g(x)\}$  is finite. Show that  $g$  is Riemann integrable and  $\int_0^1 f(x)dx = \int_0^1 g(x)dx$ .
- (b) **[5 Points]** Suppose  $f : [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous. Assume that for every  $-1 \leq a < b \leq 1$ , if  $b - a < 2^{-10}$ , then  $\int_a^b f(x)dx = 0$ . Show that  $f$  is identically zero on  $[-1, 1]$ .

**Solution**

- (a) For  $c \in [0, 1]$ , let  $h_c : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined by  $h_c(x) = 1$  if  $x = c$  and 0 otherwise. Show that  $h_c$  is Riemann integrable and  $\int_0^1 h_c(x)dx = 0$ . Let  $\{c_1, \dots, c_N\}$  list  $\{x \in [0, 1] : f(x) \neq g(x)\}$ . Put  $a_k = g(c_k) - f(c_k)$  for  $1 \leq k \leq N$ . Then  $g = f + \sum_{k=1}^N a_k h_{c_k}$ . Since  $f$  and each  $h_{c_k}$  is Riemann integrable, we get  $g$  is Riemann integrable. Also

$$\int_0^1 g(x)dx = \int_0^1 f(x)dx + \sum_{k=1}^N \int_0^1 a_k h_{c_k}(x)dx = \int_0^1 f(x)dx + \sum_{k=1}^N 0 = \int_0^1 f(x)dx.$$

□

- (b) (Compare with HW 55) Suppose not and fix  $c \in [-1, 1]$  such that  $f(c) \neq 0$ . Assume  $f(c) = h > 0$  (the other case is similar). As  $f$  is continuous at  $c$ , we can find an interval  $[a_1, b_1]$  around  $c$  such that  $f(x) \geq h/2$  for every  $x \in [a_1, b_1]$ . Let  $[a, b] \subseteq [a_1, b_1]$  be an interval around  $c$  of length  $< 2^{-10}$ . It follows that

$$0 = \int_a^b f(x)dx \geq \int_a^b h/2 dx = h(b-a)/2 > 0$$

which is a contradiction.

□

**Question 3. [10 Points]**

Let  $f_n : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined by

$$f_n(x) = \cos\left(\frac{1+x}{n(\pi+x^4)}\right).$$

- (a) [4 Points] Show that  $\langle f_n : n \geq 1 \rangle$  is uniformly convergent on  $\mathbb{R}$ .
- (b) [6 Points] Compute  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 e^x f_n(x) dx$ . Justify all of your steps.

**Solution**

- (a) We will show that  $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} 1$  on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Since  $\cos x$  is continuous at  $x = 0$ , we can find  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$|x| < \delta \implies |\cos x - \cos 0| = |\cos x - 1| < \varepsilon$$

Next observe that  $|1+x| \leq 1+|x| \leq 2+x^4$  for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . So  $\left| \frac{1+x}{n(\pi+x^4)} \right| \leq \frac{1}{n}$  for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Fix  $N \geq 1$  such that  $1/N < \delta$ . It follows that for every  $n \geq N$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$|f_n(x) - 1| = \left| \cos\left(\frac{1+x}{n(\pi+x^4)}\right) - 1 \right| < \varepsilon$$

Hence  $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} 1$  on  $\mathbb{R}$ . □

- (b) As  $e^x$  is bounded on  $[0, 1]$  and  $f_n$ 's uniformly converge to 1 on  $[0, 1]$ , it follows that  $e^x f_n(x)$  uniformly converges to  $(e^x)(1) = e^x$  on  $[0, 1]$ . Therefore we can interchange limit and integral to get

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 e^x f_n(x) dx = \int_0^1 e^x dx = e - 1.$$

□

**Question 4. [10 Points]**

Consider the series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^3}{3^n} \cos(nx)$$

- (a) **[2 Points]** Show that this series is absolutely convergent for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .
- (b) **[2 Points]** Show that this series is uniformly convergent on  $\mathbb{R}$ .
- (c) **[6 Points]** Define  $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^3}{3^n} \cos(nx)$ . Show that  $f$  is everywhere differentiable and

$$f'(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{-n^4}{3^n} \sin(nx)$$

**Solution**

- (a) Let  $a_n = \frac{n^3}{3^n}$ . Then  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n|^{1/n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^{3/n}}{3} = 1/3 < 1$ . So by the root test, we get  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_n| < \infty$ . It follows that for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left| \frac{n^3}{3^n} \cos(nx) \right| \leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left| \frac{n^3}{3^n} \right| < \infty.$$

□

- (b) Put  $s_n = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{k^3}{3^k} \cos(kx)$ . We need to show that  $\langle s_n : n \geq 1 \rangle$  is uniformly convergent on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

Choose  $N \geq 1$  such that  $\sum_{n=N}^{\infty} \frac{n^3}{3^n} < \varepsilon$ . Then for every  $m, n \geq N$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have

$$|s_n(x) - s_m(x)| \leq \sum_{k=N}^{\infty} \left| \frac{k^3}{3^k} \cos(kx) \right| \leq \sum_{k=N}^{\infty} \left| \frac{k^3}{3^k} \right| < \varepsilon.$$

It follows that  $\langle s_n : n \geq 1 \rangle$  is uniformly convergent on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

□

- (c) Put  $s_n = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{k^3}{3^k} \cos(kx)$ . We already showed that  $\langle s_n : n \geq 1 \rangle$  is uniformly convergent on  $\mathbb{R}$ . We need to check that  $s'_n$  is also uniformly convergent on  $\mathbb{R}$ . This is similar to the proof of (b) using the following

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{n^3}{3^n} \cos(nx) \right) = \frac{-n^4}{3^n} \sin(nx)$$

$$\left| \frac{-n^4}{3^n} \sin(nx) \right| \leq \frac{n^4}{3^n} \text{ and}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^4}{3^n} < \infty \text{ (Use root test).}$$

□

**Question 5. [10 Points]**

Consider  $C([a, b])$  under uniform metric  $d_\infty(f, g) = \|f - g\|_\infty$ .

- (a) **[2 Points]** State Weierstrass approximation theorem.
- (b) **[3 Points]** Let  $D = \{f \in C([a, b]) : f \text{ is differentiable on } [a, b]\}$ . Is  $D$  dense in  $(C([a, b]), d_\infty)$ . Why?
- (c) **[5 Points]** Give an example of a uniformly bounded sequence of functions  $\langle f_n : n \geq 1 \rangle$  in  $C([0, 1])$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 |f_n(x)| dx = 0$  but  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x)$  diverges for every  $x \in [0, 1]$ .

**Solution**

- (a) For every  $f \in C([a, b])$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a polynomial  $p = p(x)$  such that

$$\|f - p\|_\infty < \varepsilon.$$

It follows that the set of all polynomials is dense in  $(C([a, b]), d_\infty)$ . □

- (b) Since every polynomial is in  $D$ , it follows that  $D$  is also dense  $(C([a, b]), d_\infty)$ . □
- (c) Let  $\langle J_n : n \geq 1 \rangle$  be an enumeration of all intervals of the form  $\{[k2^{-n}, (k+1)2^{-n}] : n \geq 1 \text{ and } 0 \leq k < n-1\}$  in decreasing order of length. So

$$J_1 = [0, 1/2], J_2 = [1/2, 1], J_3 = [0, 1/8], \dots$$

For each  $n \geq 1$ , say  $J_n = [a_n - r_n, a_n + r_n] \subseteq [0, 1]$ . Define  $f_n : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  to be a piecewise linear function such that  $f_n(x) = 1$  if  $|x - a_n| \leq r_n$  and  $f_n(x) = 0$  if  $|x - a_n| \geq 2r_n$ . It is easy to see that  $\{f_n : n \geq 1\}$  is uniformly bounded by 1 and  $\int_0^1 |f_n(x)| dx \leq 2 \text{ length}(J_n) \rightarrow 0$ . Now check that for every  $x \in [0, 1]$ ,  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = 0$  and  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = 1$ . □

**Question 6. [10 Points]**

- (a) [**3 Points**] State Arzela-Ascoli theorem.
- (b) [**7 Points**] Let  $f_n : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a bounded Riemann integrable function for each  $n \geq 1$ . Define  $F_n : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$F_n(x) = \int_0^x f_n(t) dt$$

Assume that there is a constant  $M > 0$  such that for every  $n \geq 1$ ,  $\int_0^1 (f_n(x))^2 dx < M$ . Show that  $\langle F_n : n \geq 1 \rangle$  has a uniformly convergent subsequence.

**Solution**

- (a) Suppose  $(X, d)$  is a compact metric space and  $\langle f_n : n \geq 1 \rangle$  is a uniformly bounded sequence of continuous functions from  $X$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ . Suppose that the family  $\{f_n : n \geq 1\}$  is uniformly equicontinuous on  $X$ . Then  $\langle f_n : n \geq 1 \rangle$  has a uniformly convergent subsequence.  $\square$
- (b) Since  $[a, b]$  is compact, it suffices to check that  $\langle F_n : n \geq 1 \rangle$  the hypotheses of Arzela-Ascoli theorem hold. First note that for any  $a \geq 0$ ,  $a \leq 1 + a^2$ . Hence for any  $x \in [0, 1]$ ,

$$|F_n(x)| \leq \int_0^x |f_n(t)| dt \leq \int_0^x (1 + (f_n(t))^2) dt \leq \int_0^1 (1 + (f_n(t))^2) dt \leq 1 + M$$

So  $\langle F_n : n \geq 1 \rangle$  is uniformly bounded. Next fix  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $0 \leq x < y \leq 1$ . Then

$$|F_n(x) - F_n(y)| \leq \int_x^y |f_n(t)| dt \leq \left( \int_x^y (1)^2 dt \right)^{1/2} \left( \int_x^y (f_n(t))^2 dt \right)^{1/2} \leq |x - y|^{1/2} M^{1/2}$$

where we used the following (see HW 58):

$$\int_x^y |g(t)h(t)| dt \leq \left( \int_x^y (g(t))^2 dt \right)^{1/2} \left( \int_x^y (h(t))^2 dt \right)^{1/2}$$

Choose  $\delta = \varepsilon^2/4M$ . Then  $|x - y| < \delta \implies |F_n(x) - F_n(y)| \leq \varepsilon/2 < \varepsilon$ . Therefore  $\{F_n : n \geq 1\}$  is uniformly equicontinuous on  $[0, 1]$  and we are done.  $\square$

**Bonus Question [5 Points]**

Let  $f_n : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  be monotonically increasing for  $n \geq 1$ . Show that there is a subsequence  $\langle f_{n_k} : k \geq 1 \rangle$  of  $\langle f_n : n \geq 1 \rangle$  and a function  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that  $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{pointwise}} f$ .

**Solution sketch**

Let  $D_0$  be the set of all rationals in  $[0, 1]$ . For  $n \geq 1$ , let  $D_n$  be the set of points of discontinuity of  $f_n$ . By HW 9, each  $D_n$  is countable. Put  $D = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} D_n$ . Then  $D$  is a countable dense subset of  $[0, 1]$ .

By a Lemma proved in class, there is a subsequence  $\langle f_{n_k} : k \geq 1 \rangle$  of  $\langle f_n : n \geq 1 \rangle$  such that for every  $r \in D$ ,  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f_{n_k}(r)$  exists (call it  $h(r)$ ). Define  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  by  $f(x) = \sup(\{h(r) : r \in D \text{ and } r \leq x\})$ . Now check that for every  $x \in [0, 1]$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = f(x)$ .  $\square$