

1. (8 points) Circle the letter of **at least one** correct answer for each of the questions below. More than one answers could be true but we only ask you to pick **one** of them.

(a) (2 points) Epsilon definition of sup/inf, the Bolzano-Weierstrass (BW) and Monotone convergence theorem (MCT). Let  $A \subset \mathbb{R}$  be non-empty and  $\epsilon > 0$ . Let  $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1} \in [c, d]$  be a sequence and  $\{x_{n_k}\}_{k \geq 1}$  a subsequence of it. Choose at least one correct answer:

A.  $\exists a_\epsilon \in A \cap \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $\inf_{a \in A}(a) > a_\epsilon + \epsilon$ . BW states that if  $\{x_n\} \subset [c, d]$ , then  $\exists x_{n_k} \rightarrow L \in [c, d]$ .

B.  $\exists a_\epsilon \in A$  s.t.  $\inf_{a \in A}(a) > a_\epsilon - \epsilon$ . MCT states that if  $\{x_n\} \subset [c, d]$  and  $x_{n+1} \leq x_n$ , then  $x_n \rightarrow L \in [c, d]$ .

C.  $\exists a_\epsilon \in A \cap \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $\sup_{a \in A}(a) < a_\epsilon - \epsilon$ . MCT states that if  $\{x_n\} \subset [c, d]$  and  $x_{n+1} \geq x_n$ , then  $x_n \rightarrow L \in [c, d]$ .

D.  $\exists a_\epsilon \in A$  s.t.  $\sup_{a \in A}(a) < a_\epsilon + \epsilon$ . BW states that if  $\{x_n\} \subset [c, d]$ , then  $\exists x_{n_k} \rightarrow L \in [c, d]$ .

(b) (2 points) Let  $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1} \in \mathbb{R}$  represent a Cauchy sequence and  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  a continuous function. Choose at least one correct answer:

A.  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta_\epsilon > 0$  s.t.  $\forall n, m \geq 1$  we have

$$|a_n - a_m| < \delta_\epsilon \Rightarrow |f(a_n) - f(a_m)| < \epsilon.$$

B.  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta_\epsilon > 0$  s.t.  $\forall n, m \geq 1$  we have

$$|a_n - a_m| < \delta_\epsilon.$$

Completeness states that "every Cauchy sequence converges".

C. If a subsequence converges  $a_{n_k} \rightarrow L$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ , then  $f(a_n) \rightarrow f(L)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Completeness is equivalent to "every Cauchy sequence has a converging subsequence but the full

sequence might not converge”.

Ⓓ.  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N_\epsilon > 0$  s.t.  $\forall n, m \geq N_\epsilon$  we have

$$|a_n - a_m| < \epsilon.$$

Completeness's corollary is that every Cauchy sequence has a converging subsequence.

(c) (2 points) Heine-Borel, Extreme value theorem (EVT) and Intermediate value theorem (IVT). Let  $K \subset \mathbb{R}$  be a subset and  $f : K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  a continuous function. Choose at least one correct answer:

Ⓐ. The set  $f(K)$  is compact if  $K$  is closed and bounded.

B. The set  $K$  is compact if and only if  $K$  is closed and bounded. If  $[c, d] \subset K$  then  $f([c, d]) = [f(c), f(d)]$ .

C. The set  $f(K)$  is closed if  $K$  is closed. If  $[c, d] \subset K$  then  $f([c, d]) = [\inf_{x \in [c, d]} f(x), \sup_{x \in [c, d]} f(x)]$ .

Ⓓ. The set  $K$  is compact if and only if  $K$  is closed and bounded. If  $[c, d] \subset K$  then  $f([c, d]) = [\min_{x \in [c, d]} f(x), \max_{x \in [c, d]} f(x)]$ .

(d) (2 points) Uniform continuity and Heine-Cantor theorem. Let  $K \subset \mathbb{R}$  be a subset and  $f : K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  a continuous function. Choose at least one correct answer:

A.  $f$  is not uniformly continuous if  $\exists \epsilon_0 > 0$  s.t.  $\forall \delta > 0 \exists x_\delta, y_\delta \in K$ , s.t.

$$|x_\delta - y_\delta| \leq \delta \Rightarrow |f(x_\delta) - f(y_\delta)| \geq \epsilon_0.$$

Also,  $f$  is uniformly continuous if the set  $K$  is closed.

B.  $f$  is uniformly continuous if  $\forall \epsilon > 0$  and  $x \in K$ ,  $\exists \delta(\epsilon, x) > 0$  s.t.

$$|x - y| \leq \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(y)| \leq \epsilon.$$

Also,  $f$  is uniformly continuous if  $K \subset [c, d]$  and  $K^c$  is open.

©.  $f$  is uniformly continuous if  $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta(\epsilon) > 0$  s.t.

$$|x - y| \leq \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(y)| \leq \epsilon.$$

Also,  $f$  is uniformly continuous if  $K \subset [c, d]$  and  $K$  contains its limit points.

D.  $f$  is not uniformly continuous if  $\exists \epsilon_0 > 0$  s.t.  $\forall \delta > 0 \exists x_\delta, y_\delta \in K$ , s.t.

$$|x_\delta - y_\delta| \leq \delta \Rightarrow |f(x_\delta) - f(y_\delta)| \geq \epsilon_0.$$

Also,  $f$  is uniformly continuous if  $K$  is closed and bounded.

2. (10 points) Show that  $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  converges to  $L \in \mathbb{R}$  if and only if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{k \geq n} a_k = L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf_{k \geq n} a_k$ .

(Hint: use epsilon definition of sup/inf and squeeze theorem)

(a) (5 points) The necessary condition:  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{k \geq n} a_k = L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf_{k \geq n} a_k$ .

We will only do the limsup case due to their similarity. Fix  $\epsilon > 0$  WTS that there exists  $N > 0$  s.t.  $\forall n \geq N$  we have

$$\left| \sup_{k \geq n} a_k - L \right| \leq \epsilon.$$

By the limit definition we have  $N_\epsilon > 0$  s.t.  $\forall n \geq N_\epsilon$  we have

$$|a_n - L| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$$

By the epsilon definition of sup, there exists  $a_m$  for some  $m \geq N_\epsilon$  s.t.

$$\sup_{k \geq N_\epsilon} a_k - \frac{\epsilon}{2} \leq a_m.$$

Next we put this two facts together.

$$-\epsilon < a_m - L \leq \sup_{k \geq N_\epsilon} a_k - L \leq a_m - L + \frac{\epsilon}{2} < \epsilon \Rightarrow \left| \sup_{k \geq n} a_k - L \right| \leq \epsilon.$$

(b) (5 points) The sufficient condition:  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{k \geq n} a_k = L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf_{k \geq n} a_k \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$ .

Fix  $\epsilon > 0$  WTS that there exists  $N > 0$  s.t.  $\forall n \geq N$  we have

$$|a_n - L| \leq \epsilon.$$

By the limit definition we have  $N_\epsilon := \max(N_{\epsilon,1}, N_{\epsilon,2}) > 0$  s.t.  $\forall n \geq N_\epsilon$  we have

$$\left| \sup_{k \geq N_\epsilon} a_k - L \right| \leq \epsilon \text{ and } \left| \inf_{k \geq N_\epsilon} a_k - L \right| \leq \epsilon.$$

Next we put this two facts together.

$$-\epsilon \leq \inf_{k \geq N_\epsilon} a_k - L \leq a_n - L \leq \sup_{k \geq N_\epsilon} a_k - L \leq \epsilon \Rightarrow |a_n - L| \leq \epsilon.$$

3. (8 points) If  $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  is Cauchy, find a subsequence  $\{x_{n_k}\}_{k \geq 1}$  such that

$$\sum_{k \geq 1} |x_{n_k} - x_{n_{k+1}}| < \infty.$$

This is similar to the diagonalization argument (see handout) where for each  $\epsilon_k$  we find a representative  $x_{n_k}$  from the  $k$ th row. We will simply need some  $\epsilon_k$  and subsequence  $x_{n_k}$  that satisfy

$$\sum_{k \geq 1} |x_{n_k} - x_{n_{k+1}}| \leq \sum_{k \geq 1} \epsilon_k < \infty.$$

For concreteness let's work with  $\epsilon_k := 2^{-k}$ .

**Starting elements** For  $\epsilon_1 := 2^{-1}$  the Cauchy property gives that there  $\exists N_1$  s.t. for all  $n, m \geq N_1$  we have

$$|x_n - x_m| \leq \epsilon_1 := 2^{-1}.$$

Therefore, let  $x_{n_1} := x_{N_1}$ . For  $\epsilon_2 := 2^{-2}$  the Cauchy property gives that there  $\exists N_2 > N_1$  s.t. for all  $n, m \geq N_2$  we have

$$|x_n - x_m| \leq \epsilon_2 := 2^{-2}.$$

Therefore, let  $x_{n_2} := x_{N_2}$ . Note that since  $N_2 > N_1$  we also have

$$|x_{n_1} - x_{n_2}| = |x_{N_1} - x_{N_2}| \leq \epsilon_1 := 2^{-1}.$$

**General element** For  $\epsilon_k := 2^{-k}$  the Cauchy property gives that there  $\exists N_k > N_{k-1}$  s.t. for all  $n, m \geq N_k$  we have

$$|x_n - x_m| \leq \epsilon_k := 2^{-k}.$$

Therefore, let  $x_{n_k} := x_{N_k}$ . Note that since  $N_k > N_{k-1}$  we also have

$$|x_{n_k} - x_{n_{k-1}}| = |x_{N_k} - x_{N_{k-1}}| \leq \epsilon_{k-1} := 2^{-(k-1)}.$$

Therefore,

$$\sum_{k \geq 1} |x_{n_k} - x_{n_{k+1}}| \leq \sum_{k \geq 1} 2^{-k} = 1 < \infty.$$

4. (17 points) Let  $a_0 = 0$  and  $a_{n+1} = \cos(a_n)$  for  $n \geq 0$ .

(a) (7 points) Show that  $\cos(x)=x$  has a unique solution in  $[0,1]$  using intermediate value theorem and derivative sign.

We have  $f(0) = \cos(0) - 0 = 1 > 0$  and  $f(1) = \cos(1) - 1 < 0$ . So there is at least one solution in  $[0,1]$ . The derivative is  $f'(x) = -\sin(x) - 1 < 0$  for all  $x$  and so  $f$  is strictly decreasing and so there is only one solution.

(b) (10 points) Assume  $a_n \in [\cos(1), 1]$ . Show that  $a_n$  is Cauchy.

We start by controlling the difference  $|a_n - a_{n+1}|$ .

- Consider the following interval  $I_n \subset [\cos(1), 1]$

$$I_n := \begin{cases} (a_n, a_{n+1}) & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ (a_{n+1}, a_n) & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}.$$

- Since  $a_n \in [\cos(1), 1]$ , we have by MVT some  $c_n \in I_n \subset [\cos(1), 1]$  s.t.

$$|a_{n+1} - a_n| = |\cos(a_n) - \cos(a_{n-1})| = |\sin(c_n)| |a_n - a_{n-1}|.$$

- Since  $c_n \in [\cos(1), 1]$  and  $\sin(x)$  is increasing in that interval, we have that  $\sin(c_n) \leq \sin(1) =: r < 1$ .

$$|a_{n+1} - a_n| \leq r |a_n - a_{n-1}|.$$

- Therefore, recursively we find the bound

$$|a_{n+1} - a_n| \leq r |a_n - a_{n-1}| \leq r^2 |a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}| \leq \dots \leq r^n |a_2 - a_1| =: cr^n.$$

Now we control the difference  $|a_n - a_{n+m}|$  for any  $n, m > 0$ . We write the telescoping sum

$$\begin{aligned} |a_n - a_{n+m}| &= |a_n - a_{n+1} + a_{n+1} - a_{n+2} + \dots + a_{n+m-1} - a_{n+m}| \\ &\leq |a_n - a_{n+1}| + |a_{n+1} - a_{n+2}| + \dots + |a_{n+m-1} - a_{n+m}| \end{aligned}$$

and bound it by

$$c \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} r^{n+k} = cr^n \frac{1 - r^m}{1 - r}.$$

Since  $r < 1$  this bound goes to zero as  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ . Therefore, given fixed  $\epsilon > 0$  we can pick large enough  $N > 0$  s.t. for all  $n, m \geq N$  we have

$$\epsilon > cr^N \frac{1 - r^N}{1 - r} \geq cr^n \frac{1 - r^m}{1 - r} \geq |a_n - a_{n+m}|.$$

Since the sequence  $a_n$  is Cauchy, it converges to some number  $L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \cos(a_{n-1}) = \cos(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n-1}) = \cos(L)$ . Therefore,  $L$  satisfies the fixed point relation  $L = \cos(L)$ . In other words, it is the intersection of the graphs of  $y_1 = \cos(x)$  and  $y_2 = x$ .

5. (15 points) Showing closed and compact.

(a) (4 points) Is the following set compact: the rationals  $\mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1]$ ?

It is bounded but not closed because it doesn't contain the irrational limit points (Hw1 problem).

(b) (4 points) Is the following set compact: the set  $S := \{(e^{-x}\cos(x), e^{-x}\sin(x)) : x \geq 0\} \cup \{(x, 0) : x \in [0, 1]\}$ .

Yes. It is bounded because  $|e^{-x}\cos(x)| \leq 1$  and  $|e^{-x}\sin(x)| \leq 1$ . Next we show closed. Take converging sequence

$$(a_n, b_n) := (e^{-x_n}\cos(x_n), e^{-x_n}\sin(x_n)) \rightarrow (a, b),$$

WTS that  $(a, b) \in S$ . If  $x_n \rightarrow x < \infty$ , then the result follows by the continuous mapping theorem. If  $x = \infty$ , then  $(a, b) = (0, 0)$ , which is inside  $\{(x, 0) : x \in [0, 1]\}$ .

(c) (7 points) Prove that the sum  $A + B$  of a closed set  $A$  and a compact set  $B$  is also closed.

Take converging sequence  $a_n + b_n \rightarrow z$ , WTS that  $z \in A + B$ . By compactness we have converging subsequence  $b_{n_k} \rightarrow b \in B$ . Therefore,

$$a_{n_k} = a_{n_k} + b_{n_k} - b_{n_k} \rightarrow z - b.$$

Since  $A$  is closed, we have that  $z - b \in A$  i.e.  $z - b = a$  for some  $a \in A$  and so  $z = a + b$ .



6. (15 points) Suppose that  $f : [0, \infty)$  is continuous and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = f(0)$ . Prove that  $f$  attains its maximum.

If  $f(0)$  is the global maximum, then we are done since  $f$  will attain its maximum at 0. So suppose otherwise, that there exists large enough  $x_0 > 0$  s.t.  $f(0) + \delta \leq f(x_0)$  for some  $\delta > 0$ .

- By  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = f(0)$  we set  $\epsilon := \frac{\delta}{2}$  and obtain  $\exists N_{\delta/2}$  s.t.  $\forall x \geq N_{\delta/2}$  we have

$$|f(x) - f(0)| \leq \epsilon := \frac{\delta}{2}.$$

Therefore, for  $x \in [N_{\delta/2}, \infty)$  we have

$$f(x) \leq f(0) + \frac{\delta}{2} < f(0) + \delta \leq f(x_0).$$

- Apply EVT to the complement interval  $[0, N_{\delta/2}]$  to obtain some  $M_{N_{\delta/2}}$  s.t. for all  $x \in [0, N_{\delta/2}]$  we have a maximum:

$$f(x) \leq f(M_{N_{\delta/2}}).$$

- Finally, let  $f(M) := \max(f(x_0), f(M_{N_{\delta/2}}))$ . Then for  $x \in [0, \infty) = [0, N_{\delta/2}] \cup [N_{\delta/2}, \infty)$  we have that

$$f(x) \leq \max(f(x_0), f(M_{N_{\delta/2}})) = f(M)$$

irrespective of whether  $x \in [0, N_{\delta/2}]$  or in the tail  $x \in [N_{\delta/2}, \infty)$ .

7. (17 points) Show that  $\frac{\sin(x^3)}{x}$  is uniformly continuous (u.c.) on  $[0, \infty)$ . You can use the following results if you want:

- If  $f$  is continuous on  $(a, c)$  and u.c. on  $(a, b]$  and  $[b, c)$ , then it is u.c. on  $(a, c)$  (with  $c$  possibly infinite).
- If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x)$  exists then  $f(x)$  is u.c. on  $(0, 1]$ .

8. (10 points) (New question) Studying absolute continuity. A function  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is called **absolutely continuous** if  $\forall \epsilon > 0$  there exists  $\delta_{global}(\epsilon) > 0$  so that given any finite collection of disjoint subintervals  $\{(a_k, b_k)\}_{k=1}^M \subset [a, b]$  that satisfy

$$\text{If } \sum_{k=1}^M b_k - a_k < \delta, \text{ then } \sum_{k=1}^M |f(b_k) - f(a_k)| < \epsilon.$$

Such functions can be shown to be differentiable almost everywhere. Show that  $\frac{\sin(x)}{x}$  is absolutely continuous in  $[0, 1]$ . One suggestion is to study the derivative of  $\frac{\sin(x)}{x}$  for  $x \in [0, \epsilon)$  for any small  $\epsilon > 0$ .

The derivative of  $\frac{\sin(x)}{x}$  is  $\frac{x\cos(x) - \sin(x)}{x^2}$  which by L'Hopital is bounded at zero

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x\cos(x) - \sin(x)}{x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{-x\sin(x)}{2x} = 0.$$

Therefore, the function  $\frac{\sin(x)}{x}$  is 1-Lipschitz and we get for  $\delta := \frac{\epsilon}{C}$

$$\text{If } \sum_{k=1}^M b_k - a_k < \delta, \text{ then } \sum_{k=1}^M |f(b_k) - f(a_k)| < C \sum_{k=1}^M b_k - a_k < C\delta = \epsilon.$$