Fall 2015

Homework # 3

(Due Monday, October 19)

Problem 1. Let (f_n) be a sequence in C([0,1]) converging uniformly to the function $f(x) = -x \log x$, on [0,1]. Define

$$A = \{f_n \mid n \ge 1\} \cup \{f\}.$$

Is A compact, or precompact but not compact, or not precompact, considered as a subset of $(C([0,1]), \|\cdot\|_{\sup})$? Justify your answer.

Problem 2. Let $f \in C([a,b])$. Prove that

$$\left| \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx \right| \le |b - a|^{1/2} \left(\int_{a}^{b} f(x)^{2} dx \right)^{1/2}.$$

Problem 3. For M > 0, define $A_M \subset C([a, b])$ as follows:

$$A_M = \{ f \in C([a,b]) \mid f' \in C([a,b]), f(a) = f(b) = 0, \text{ and } \int_a^b f'(x)^2 dx \le M \}.$$

Prove that A_M is precompact in $(C([a,b]), \|\cdot\|_{\sup})$.

Problem 4. Consider functions $f:[0,1] \to \mathbb{R}$ defined by

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \sin(n\pi x), \quad x \in [0, 1],$$
(1)

where for all $n \geq 1$, $a_n \in \mathbb{R}$, and such that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n| < +\infty$.

- a) Prove that $f \in C([0,1])$.
- **b)** Prove that the set A defined by

$$A = \{ f \in C([0,1]) \mid f \text{ is of the form (1) and } ||f||_{\sup} \le 1 \},$$

is not precompact in $(C([0,1]), \|\cdot\|_{\sup})$.

c) Prove that the set B define by

$$B = \{ f \in C([0,1]) \mid f \text{ is of the form (1) and } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2 |a_n|^2 \le 1 \},$$

is precompact in $(C([0,1]), \|\cdot\|_{\sup})$.