

## Math 321 Homework 3

## Problem 1

Let  $f \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$  and  $0 < p < \infty$ . Define

$$\|f\|_p = \left( \int_a^b |f|^p dx \right)^{1/p}$$

(a). Prove that for  $0 < p < \infty$ ,  $|f|^p \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$  (and hence the above definition makes sense).

(b). If  $f$  is continuous, prove that

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \|f\|_p = \sup\{|f(x)| : x \in [a, b]\}.$$

(c). For  $f$  fixed, define  $\phi(p) = \|f\|_p^p$ . Using Rudin Problem 6.10, prove that  $p \mapsto \log \phi(p)$  is convex on  $(0, \infty)$  (recall Rudin problem 4.23 for the definition of convexity, and its consequences). Do not submit the proof of Rudin Problem 6.10 (but I encourage you to do it; it is a good exercise).

*Remark 1.* Since convex functions are continuous (see Rudin Problem 4.23), you have just shown that  $\phi$  and hence  $p \mapsto \|f\|_p$  are continuous.

(a). *Solution.* ff follows from Rudin 6.12

(b). *Solution.* Note that since  $f$  is continuous, so is  $|f|$  (ff). Furthermore, the function is defined on the closed and bounded set  $[a, b]$ , which in  $\mathbb{R}$  is compact, so  $|f|$  attains its maximum value on  $[a, b]$  (ff). 6.21(d) gives us an upper bound.

Hmm maybe like IVT. We have that sup is an upper bound. Prove monotonically increasing. Then assume some lower value is an upper bound, but  $|f|$  attains this by IVT (or attains halfway between it and the sup), and somehow argue that the integral is larger.

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(c). *Solution.* ff

## Problem 2

Let  $\{f_n\}$  and  $\{g_n\}$  be sequences of functions from  $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  that converge pointwise. Must it be true that  $\{f_n \circ g_n\}$  converges pointwise? If so, prove it. If not, give a counter-example and prove that your counter-example is correct.

*Solution.* It can be false. We provide the counter-example: define  $f_n(x)$  on  $0 < x \leq \frac{1}{n}$  as  $f_n(x) = x$ , and we periodically extend this function off of  $(0, \frac{1}{n}]$  so that  $f_n(x + k) = f_n(x)$  for any  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ; now let

$$g_n(x) = \begin{cases} n, & 0 < x \leq \frac{1}{n} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

as well.

Clearly, both of these are functions from  $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Furthermore, we get that both of these sequences of functions converge pointwise to the 0 function. To see this for  $f$ , note that  $f_n$  attans its maximum value at  $x = \frac{1}{n}$ , since on  $x \in (0, \frac{1}{n}]$ ,  $f_n$  is monotone increasing and this is the right most value, and since  $f_n$  is periodic, the largest value this function attains is the same as the largest value it attains on this interval. Furthermore,  $f_n(\frac{1}{n}) = \frac{1}{n}$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  be fixed, then Archimedean gives us some  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\frac{1}{N} < \varepsilon$ , and so for any  $n \geq N$ , we have  $|f_n(x) - 0| = f_n(x) \leq \frac{1}{n} \leq \frac{1}{N} < \varepsilon$ , which means that  $f_n$  is pointwise convergent to 0 for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

To see this for  $g$ , fix some  $\varepsilon > 0$  and some  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Archimedean gives us some  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\frac{1}{N} < x$ . By the definition of  $g_n$ , when  $n \geq N$ , we have that  $|g_n(x) - 0| = g_n(x) = 0 < \varepsilon$  (since  $x > \frac{1}{N} \geq \frac{1}{n}$ ). Hence,  $g_n$  is pointwise convergent to 0 for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Now let us consider the composition,  $\{f_n \circ g_n\}$ . If considering the values pointwise seem like a pain. Make some argument that  $f_n \circ g_n = n$ , which obviously converges pointwise nowhere.

### Problem 3

Let  $E$  be a set and let  $(M_1, d_1), (M_2, d_2)$  be metric spaces with the discrete metric (i.e.  $d(x, y) = 0$  if  $x = y$ , and  $d(x, y) = 1$  if  $x \neq y$ ). Let  $\{g_n\}$  be a sequence of functions from  $E \rightarrow M_1$ , and let  $\{f_n\}$  be a sequence of functions from  $M_1 \rightarrow M_2$ . Suppose that  $\{f_n\}$  and  $\{g_n\}$  converge pointwise. Must it be true that  $\{f_n \circ g_n\}$  converges pointwise? If so, prove it. If not, give a counter-example and prove that your counter-example is correct.

*Solution.* We claim that this is true, specifically if  $g: E \rightarrow M_1$  and  $f: M_1 \rightarrow M_2$  are functions such that  $g_n \rightarrow g$  and  $f_n \rightarrow f$  pointwise,  $f_n \circ g_n \rightarrow f \circ g$  pointwise as well.

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $x \in E$ . Since  $g_n \rightarrow g$ , for all  $\varepsilon' > 0$ , there exists some  $N_1$  such that  $d(g_n(x), g(x)) < \varepsilon'$  for all  $n > N_1$ . If we let  $\varepsilon' = \frac{1}{2}$ , since this is the discrete metric so  $d(g_n(x), g(x))$  can only either be 1 or 0, this tells us that for all  $n \geq N_1$ ,  $d(g_n(x), g(x)) = 0$ , i.e.  $g_n(x) = g(x)$ .

Note  $g(x) \in M_1$ . Since  $f_n \rightarrow f$ , for all  $\varepsilon' > 0$ , there exists some  $N_2$  such that  $d(f_n(g(x)), f(g(x))) < \varepsilon'$  for all  $n > N_2$ . If we let  $\varepsilon' = \frac{1}{2}$ , since this is the discrete metric so  $d(f_n(g(x)), f(g(x)))$  can only either be 1 or 0, this tells us that for all  $n \geq N_2$ ,  $d(f_n(g(x)), f(g(x))) = 0$ , i.e.  $f_n(g(x)) = f(g(x))$ .

We now consider  $\{f_n \circ g_n\}$ . Let  $N = \max\{N_1, N_2\}$ . Then for all  $n \geq N$ ,  $f_n(g_n(x)) = f_n(g(x)) = f(g(x))$ . Thus,  $d(f_n(g_n(x)), f(g(x))) = d(f(g(x)), f(g(x))) = 0 < \varepsilon$ .

$\varepsilon, x$  were arbitrary, hence  $\{f_n \circ g_n\}$  converges pointwise.

### Problem 4

Let  $\{f_n\}$  be a sequence of functions in  $\mathcal{R}[a, b]$ , let  $f \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$ , let  $f_n \rightarrow f$  pointwise, and suppose that  $\{f_n(x)\}$  is monotone increasing for each  $x \in [a, b]$ . Prove that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b f_n(x) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

*Solution.* We want  $\inf_{P'} U(P', f) - \inf_P U(P, f_n) < \varepsilon$ . We know that for any  $x \in [a, b]$ , there exists some  $N$  such that for all  $n \geq N$ ,  $f(x) - f_n(x) < \varepsilon$ ; also  $f_n(x) \leq f_{n+1}(x)$ .

The integrals are a monotone sequence of functions, their supremum is  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ .

I think  $f_n \rightarrow f$  uniformly because monotone.

Once we have a uniform bound, then we get that for any  $\int f_n dx > \int_a^b f - \varepsilon dx = \int_a^b f dx - \varepsilon(b - a)$ .

Probably prove that  $f \geq f_n$  for all  $n$ .

We first prove that  $f_n$  converge uniformly. We do this by verifying the Cauchy criterion for uniform convergence (Rudin Theorem 7.8), which we can apply, since our functions are maps into  $\mathbb{R}$  (presumably, since we have not defined the Riemann integral otherwise), which is a complete metric space. So let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be arbitrary. If

Note that it must converge to  $f$  specifically, since if (theorem doesn't specify what it converges to).

For the sake of contradiction, assume that  $f_n$  does not converge to  $f$  uniformly. Then there exists some  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that for all  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ , there is some  $n \geq N$  and some  $x \in [a, b]$  such that  $f(x) - f_n(x) \geq \varepsilon$ . But then  $f_n(x) \notin$

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be arbitrary. Let  $B$  be the lower bound on  $f_1$ , i.e.  $B \leq f_1 \leq f_n \leq f$  for all  $n$  (by monotonicity). Let  $\delta_0 = \sup_{x \in [a, b]} \{f(x) - B\}$ . Note  $\delta_0 > 0$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$ , since  $f(x) - B \geq f_1(x) - B \geq 0$  (and we can ignore equality in the first inequality, because if that was the case,  $f(x) = f_1(x) \implies f(x) = f_n(x)$  and so uniform convergence is trivial... maybe make another paragraph for this if), and must exist in  $\mathbb{R}$ , since  $f$  must be bounded above, say by  $M$ , and  $0 < f(x) - B \leq M - B \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Now, define  $\delta_n = \delta_0/2^n$ . Note that since  $f_n \rightarrow f$  pointwise, there exists some  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for all  $n \geq N$ ,  $f_n > f - \varepsilon$ , otherwise Since  $f_n \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$ ,  $f_n$  is bounded on  $[a, b]$ .

Consider  $\varepsilon_1 = \sup_{x \in [a, b]} \{f(x) - f_n(x)\}$ . This satisfies uniformity for  $\varepsilon_1$ .

The Tighe Cook: Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ , and define  $\varepsilon' = \frac{\varepsilon}{2(b-a)}$ . Consider the set of subintervals of  $[a, b]$ , denote it  $X$ . Define a set of tags for each subinterval, namely  $S = \{s: s \in I, I \in X\}$ . Conversely, let  $I_s$  be the subinterval associated with  $s \in S$ , and  $\delta_s$  is the length of  $I_s$ . For each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $L_k = \{s: g_k(s) < \varepsilon', s \in S\}$ . By pointwise convergence, there exists some  $k_s$  such that  $s \in L_{k_s}$ . Note that  $\bigcup_{s \in S} I_s$  covers  $[a, b]$  (sus with the boundary), and since  $[a, b]$

is compact, we can extract a finite subcover, so we have  $G_1, G_2, \dots, G_N$  that covers  $[a, b]$ . Then there is a finite  $k$  such that all the  $s \in L_k$  for all the  $s$  centered in the  $G_i$ .

Define  $g_n = f - f_n$ . Note that for any  $I_s$  where  $s \in L_k$ , where we have

$$\left| \int_{I_s} g_n - g_n(s) \delta_s \right| < \varepsilon' \delta_s$$

(For any  $g_n$ ,  $\exists \delta_n$  such that  $P$  finer than  $\delta_n$ , so we have the inequality above).

And then we're done:

$$\int_a^b g_n = \sum_{I_s \in P} \int_{I_s} g_n \leq g_n \sum_s (g_n(s) + \varepsilon') \delta_s \leq 2\varepsilon'(b-a) = \varepsilon$$