

1. (a) Prove that every absolutely convergent series is convergent but converse is not true, give an example. [6]

Ans. Let  $\sum a_n$  be a absolutely convergent series so  $\sum |a_n|$  is convergent.  
For each n, we have

$$\begin{aligned} -|a_n| &\leq a_n \leq |a_n| \\ 0 &\leq a_n + |a_n| \leq 2|a_n|. \end{aligned}$$

Given  $\sum |a_n|$  is convergent so by comparison test  $\sum(a_n + |a_n|)$  is convergent. [2]

Now

$$\sum a_n = \sum(a_n + |a_n|) - \sum |a_n|$$

Clearly,  $\sum(a_n + |a_n|)$  and  $\sum |a_n|$  are convergent. We know that the difference of two convergent series is again convergent. Hence  $\sum a_n$  is convergent. [2]

**Conversely**, Consider the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n}$ . This series converges by Leibnitz test, however the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$  diverges. [2]

- (b) Examine the following series for convergence: [6]

$$\frac{1}{2^3} - \frac{1}{3^3}(1+2) + \frac{1}{4^3}(1+2+3) - \frac{1}{5^3}(1+2+3+4) + \dots \infty.$$

Ans. Here

$$x_n = \frac{(-1)^{n-1}n}{2(n+1)^2} = (-1)^{n-1}a_n.$$

Then

$$a_n - a_{n+1} = \frac{n^2 + n - 1}{2(n+1)^2(n+2)^2} > 0.$$

So  $a_n > a_{n+1}$ . [3]  
Also  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ . Thus by Leibnitz test  $\sum a_n$  is convergent hence  $\sum x_n$  is convergent. [3]

2. (a) Show that the equation  $x^{13} + 7x^3 - 5 = 0$  has exactly one (real) root. [6]

Ans. Let  $f(x) = x^{13} + 7x^3 - 5$ . Then  $f(0) < 0$  and  $f(1) > 0$ . By the IVP there is at least one root of  $f(x) = 0$  in the interval  $(0, 1)$ . [2]

If there are two distinct roots in the interval  $(0, 1)$ , then by Rolle's theorem there is some  $0 < x_0 < 1$  such that  $f'(x_0) = 0$  which is not true since  $f'(x) = 13x^{12} + 21x^2 > 0$  for all  $x \in (0, 1)$ . [2]

Moreover, observe that  $f(x) < 0$  for all  $x < 0$ . Also  $f(x) > 0$  for all  $x > 1$ . So equation  $x^{13} + 7x^3 - 5 = 0$  has exactly one (real) root. [2]

(b) Find the interval of concavity and convexity for the following function: [6]

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4}{x - 1}, x \in \mathbb{R} - \{1\}$$

Ans. Let  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4}{x - 1} = x + 1 - \frac{3}{x - 1}$ .

$$f'(x) = \frac{3}{(x-1)^2} \text{ and } f''(x) = \frac{-6}{(x-1)^3}. \quad [2]$$

Since  $f''(x) > 0$  for all  $x < 1$ . the function is convex on (Convex) $(-\infty, 1)$ . [2]

Since  $f''(x) < 0$  for all  $x > 1$ . the function is concave on (Concave) $(1, \infty)$  [2].

3. (a) Using Taylor's theorem, for any  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and for all  $x > 0$ , show that

$$x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \dots - \frac{1}{2k}x^{2k} < \log(1+x) < x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \dots + \frac{1}{2k+1}x^{2k+1}.$$

[7]

Ans. By Taylor's theorem,  $\exists c \in (0, x)$  s.t.

$$\log(1+x) = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n}x^n + \frac{(-1)^n}{n+1} \frac{x^{n+1}}{(1+c)^{n+1}}.$$

Note that, for any  $x > 0$ ,  $\frac{(-1)^n}{n+1} \frac{x^{n+1}}{(1+c)^{n+1}} > 0$  if  $n = 2k$ . Hence

$$x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \dots - \frac{1}{2k}x^{2k} < \log(1+x).$$

(1)

Also for any  $x > 0$  and  $\frac{(-1)^n}{n+1} \frac{x^{n+1}}{(1+c)^{n+1}} < 0$  if  $n = 2k+1$ . Hence

$$\log(1+x) < x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \dots + \frac{1}{2k+1}x^{2k+1}.$$

(2)

From equation (1) and (2), we have

$$x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \dots - \frac{1}{2k}x^{2k} < \log(1+x) < x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \dots + \frac{1}{2k+1}x^{2k+1}.$$

(b) Using Sandwich theorem, discuss the convergence of the following sequence:

[7]

$$x_n = \frac{1}{n^2+1} + \frac{2}{n^2+2} + \dots + \frac{n}{n^2+n}.$$

Ans. Note that

$$\frac{1+2+\dots+n}{n+n^2} \leq x_n \leq \frac{1+2+\dots+n}{1+n^2}.$$

[2]

$$\frac{n(n+1)}{2(n+n^2)} \leq x_n \leq \frac{n(n+1)}{2(1+n^2)}.$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \leq x_n \leq \frac{n(n+1)}{2(1+n^2)}.$$

[2]

By Sandwich theorem  $x_n \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$ .

[2]

4. (a) Prove or disprove that the every continuous function defined on a closed interval  $[a, b]$  is Riemann integrable. [6 marks]

**Ans.** Since  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , so  $f$  must be uniformly continuous on  $[a, b]$ . [1 marks]

Therefore, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists$  a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|f(x) - f(y)| < \varepsilon$  whenever  $|x - y| < \delta \quad \forall x, y \in [a, b]$ . [1 marks]

Let  $P$  be a partition of  $[a, b]$  such that  $\Delta x_i < \delta, \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Then

$$M_i - m_i \leq \varepsilon, \quad \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

[2 marks]

Hence

$$U(P, f) - L(P, f) = \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i - m_i) \Delta x_i \leq \varepsilon(b - a).$$

Hence  $f$  is Riemann integrable on  $[a, b]$ .

[2 marks]

- (b) The Dirichlet function  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x \text{ is rational,} \\ 0, & \text{if } x \text{ is irrational.} \end{cases}$$

Is the function  $f$  Riemann-integrable on  $[0, 1]$ ? Justify your answer.

[6 marks]

**Ans.** This function is not Riemann integrable. If  $P = \{a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n = b\}$  is a partition of  $[0, 1]$ , then

$$M_i = \sup_{x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]} f = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad m_i = \inf_{x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]} f = 0,$$

[2 marks]

since every interval of non-zero length contains both rational and irrational numbers. It follows that

$$U(P, f) = 1, \quad L(P, f) = 0,$$

for every partition  $P$  of  $[0, 1]$ .

[2 marks]

So  $\sup L(P, f) = \int_0^1 f(x) dx = 0$  and  $\inf U(P, f) = \int_0^1 f(x) dx = 1$  are not equal.

[2 marks]

5. (a) If  $f$  and  $g$  are two continuous functions on  $[a, b]$  and if  $g(x) \geq 0$  for  $x \in [a, b]$  then show that there exist  $c \in [a, b]$  such that

$$\int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx = f(c) \int_a^b g(x)dx.$$

[6 marks]

**Ans.** If  $\int_a^b g(x)dx = 0$ , the result follows.

Let  $\int_a^b g(x)dx \neq 0$  and  $m = \inf\{f(x) : a \leq x \leq b\}$  and  $M = \sup\{f(x) : a \leq x \leq b\}$ . Then  $m \leq f(x) \leq M \forall x \in [a, b]$ . [2 marks]

Now

$$m \int_a^b g(x)dx \leq \int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx \leq M \int_a^b g(x)dx$$

[1 marks]

i.e.

$$m \leq \frac{\int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx}{\int_a^b g(x)dx} \leq M.$$

[1 marks]

Since,  $f$  is continuous, so by the intermediate value property, the result follows. [2 marks]

- (b) Determine all those values of  $p$  for which  $\int_1^\infty |x^p \cos x|dx$  converges.

[6 marks]

**Ans.** Note that  $\int_1^\infty |x^p \cos x|dx = \int_1^\infty \left| \frac{\cos x}{x^q} \right| dx$  for  $q = -p$ . [1 marks]

For  $q \leq 0$ ,  $|\cos x| \leq \left| \frac{\cos x}{x^q} \right|$ , hence by comparison test  $\int_1^\infty \left| \frac{\cos x}{x^q} \right| dx$  diverges. [1 marks]

Let  $q > 1$ . Since  $\left| \frac{\cos x}{x^q} \right| \leq \frac{1}{x^q}$ , by comparison test  $\int_1^\infty \left| \frac{\cos x}{x^q} \right| dx$  converges. [1 marks]

Now consider  $0 < q \leq 1$ . Note that  $\left| \frac{\cos x}{x^q} \right| \geq \left| \frac{\cos^2 x}{x^q} \right| \geq \frac{1 + \cos 2x}{2x^q}$ . [1 marks]

By the Dirichlet test  $\int_1^\infty \frac{\cos 2x}{2x^q} dx$  converges but  $\int_1^\infty \frac{1}{2x^q} dx$  diverges, therefore  $\int_1^\infty \left| \frac{\cos x}{x^q} \right| dx$  diverges. [2 marks]

6. (a) Consider the function

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{xy}{x^2 + y^2} & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0 & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0). \end{cases}$$

Show that  $f_x$  is not bounded on closed unit disk centered at  $(0, 0)$ .

[6 marks]

Solution: For  $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$ , we have

$$f_x(x, y) = \frac{y^3 - x^2y}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \quad [1 \text{ marks}]$$

To compute  $f_x(0, 0)$ , note that  $f(x, 0) = 0$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , therefore  $f_x(0, 0) = 0$ .

[2 marks]

$$f_x(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{y^3 - x^2y}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0 & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0). \end{cases}$$

Note that  $f_x\left(0, \frac{1}{n}\right) = n \rightarrow \infty$ . Therefore,  $f_x$  is unbounded on the closed unit disk. There are other possible paths approaching  $(0, 0)$ , such that value of  $f$  becomes arbitrarily large or small along the path. One need to check carefully what students are writing.

[3 marks]

Alternate Sol: Recall the theorem, "If the partial derivatives of  $f(x, y)$  exist throughout  $B_r(x_0, y_0)$  for some  $r > 0$  and if either  $f_x$  or  $f_y$  is bounded on the disk  $B_r(x_0, y_0)$  then  $f$  is continuous at  $(x_0, y_0)$ ." From above theorem, if  $f$  is not continuous at  $(0, 0)$ , then none of the partial derivatives is bounded on any disk centered at  $(0, 0)$ . To prove discontinuity of  $f$  at  $(0, 0)$ , consider the sequence  $\left(\left(\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}\right)\right)$ . Clearly it converge to  $(0, 0)$ . But

$$f\left(\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \nrightarrow 0 = f(0, 0)$$

Therefore,  $f$  is not continuous at origin.

(b) Consider the function

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2y + xy^2}{|x| + |y|} & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0 & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0). \end{cases}$$

Check differentiability of  $f$  at origin.

[6 marks]

Solution:  $f(x, 0) = 0$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , therefore  $f_x(0, 0) = 0$ . Since function is symmetric in  $f(x, y) = f(y, x)$  therefore  $f_y(0, 0) = 0$ . one can obtain the same thing by definition also.

[2 marks]

Now consider the double limit. For  $(h, k) \neq (0, 0)$ , consider

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{|f(0 + h, 0 + k) - f(0, 0) - hf_x(0, 0) - kf_y(0, 0)|}{\sqrt{h^2 + k^2}} &= \frac{|f(h, k)|}{\sqrt{h^2 + k^2}} \\ &= \frac{|h^2k + hk^2|}{(|h| + |k|)\sqrt{h^2 + k^2}} \\ &\leq \frac{|h|^2|k|}{(|h| + |k|)\sqrt{h^2 + k^2}} + \frac{|h||k|^2}{(|h| + |k|)\sqrt{h^2 + k^2}} \\ &\leq |k| + |h| \quad [3 \text{ marks}] \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\lim_{(h, k) \rightarrow (0, 0)} \frac{|f(0 + h, 0 + k) - f(0, 0) - hf_x(0, 0) - kf_y(0, 0)|}{\sqrt{h^2 + k^2}} = 0$$

Hence  $f$  is differentiable.

[1 marks]

**Increment Approach:**

$$f(0 + h, 0 + k) - f(0, 0) = f(h, k) = \frac{h^2k + hk^2}{|h| + |k|} = hf_x(0, 0) + kf_y(0, 0) + \epsilon_1(h, k)h + \epsilon_2(h, k)k$$

where

$$\epsilon_1(h, k) = \frac{hk}{|h| + |k|} \quad \epsilon_2(h, k) = \frac{hk}{|h| + |k|}$$

Note that there are other possible choices for  $\epsilon_1(h, k)$  and  $\epsilon_2(h, k)$ . For example,

$$\epsilon_1(h, k) = \frac{hk + k^2}{|h| + |k|} \quad \epsilon_2(h, k) = 0$$

**[2 marks]**

Now we show that  $\epsilon_1(h, k) \rightarrow 0$  as  $(h, k) \rightarrow (0, 0)$ .

$$|\epsilon_1(h, k)| = \frac{|hk|}{|h| + |k|} \leq |h| \text{ or } |k| \implies \lim_{(h, k) \rightarrow (0, 0)} \epsilon_1(h, k) = 0$$

$$|\epsilon_1(h, k)| = \frac{|hk + k^2|}{|h| + |k|} = \frac{|h + k||k|}{|h| + |k|} \leq |k| \implies \lim_{(h, k) \rightarrow (0, 0)} \epsilon_1(h, k) = 0$$

Hence  $f$  is differentiable.

**[2 marks].**

7. Consider the function

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x+y}{x-y} & \text{if } x \neq y \\ 0 & \text{if } x = y. \end{cases}$$

(a) Find the iterated limits (if these exist)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[ \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} f(x, y) \right] \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \left[ \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x, y) \right]$$

[6 marks]

Solution: For  $x_0 \neq 0$ ,

$$f(x_0, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x_0 + y}{x_0 - y} & \text{if } y \neq x_0 \\ 0 & \text{if } y = x_0. \end{cases}$$

Therefore,  $\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} f(x_0, y) = 1$  for all  $x_0 \neq 0$ .

[2 marks]

Hence  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[ \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} f(x, y) \right] = 1$ .

[1 marks].

For  $y_0 \neq 0$ ,

$$f(x, y_0) = \begin{cases} \frac{x + y_0}{x - y_0} & \text{if } x \neq y_0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = y_0. \end{cases}$$

Therefore,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x, y_0) = -1$  for all  $y_0 \neq 0$ .

[2 marks]

Hence  $\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \left[ \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x, y) \right] = -1$ .

[1 marks]

(b) Find the directional derivative of  $f$  (if it exists) at  $(0, 0)$  in the direction of the vector  $v = (1, 2)$ . [6 marks]

Solution: The given vector is not unit vector hence in order find directional derivative in the direction of the vector  $(1, 2)$  we find its unit vector.  $|v| = \sqrt{5}$  Hence unit vector in direction of  $v$  would be the vector

$$u = \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \right).$$

[2 marks]

For  $t \neq 0$ , consider

$$\frac{f\left(0 + \frac{t}{\sqrt{5}}, 0 + \frac{2t}{\sqrt{5}}\right) - f(0, 0)}{t} = \frac{f\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{5}}, \frac{2t}{\sqrt{5}}\right)}{t} = \frac{-3}{t}$$

As  $t \rightarrow 0$ , limit does not exists. Therefore directional derivative does not exists.

[4 marks]



8. (a) Find the absolute minimum and the absolute maximum of the function  $f$  given by  $f(x, y) := 2x^2 - 4x + y^2 - 4y + 1$  on the closed triangular region bounded by the lines given by  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 2$ , and  $y = 2x$ . [10 marks]

Solution: Vertices's of the triangle  $D$  are  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(0, 2)$ ,  $(1, 2)$ . Following are the steps.

- i. To locate points of absolute extrema, we first determine the critical points of  $f$ . Solve  $\nabla f(x, y) = (0, 0)$ . We get two simultaneous equation  $4x - 4 = 0$  and  $2y - 4 = 0$ . Hence simultaneous solution is  $(1, 2)$ , which is not an interior point of the triangle. Therefore there are not critical points of  $f$  inside the triangle. So absolute maximum and minimum will be attained on the boundary of the triangular region. [2 marks]
- ii. Now we identify the points on the boundary of  $D$ , where  $f$  possibly can have absolute extreme values.
  - A. We consider  $f(0, y) = y^2 - 4y + 1, y \in [0, 2]$ . So  $f'(0, y) = 2y - 4$ . Hence the there is no critical point, and the boundary points are  $y = 0, 2$ . Hence possible candidate of absolute extrema of  $f$  are  $(0, 0), (0, 2)$ . [2 marks]
  - B. We consider  $f(x, 2) = 2x^2 - 4x + 5, x \in [0, 1]$ . So  $f'(x, 2) = 4x - 4$ . Hence the there is no critical point, and the boundary points are  $x = 0, 1$ . Hence possible candidate of absolute extrema of  $f$  are  $(1, 2)$ . We already got the point  $(0, 2)$  in previous step. [2 marks]
  - C. We consider  $f(x, 2x) = 2x^2 - 4x + 4x^2 - 8x + 1 = 6x^2 - 12x + 1, x \in [0, 1]$ . So  $f'(x, 2) = 12x - 12$ . Hence the there is no critical point, and the boundary points are  $x = 0, 1$ . Both points are already identified in previous step. [2 marks]
- iii. We can now tabulate all the relevant values as follows.

$(x, y)$	$(0, 0)$	$(1, 2)$	$(0, 2)$
$f(x, y)$	1	-5	5

It follows that the absolute maximum of  $f$  on  $D$  is 5, which is attained at  $(0, 2)$ , and the absolute minimum of  $f$  on  $D$  is -5, which is attained at  $(1, 2)$ . [2 marks]

- (b) Write the following iterated integral with the order of integration reversed.

$$\int_0^1 \left( \int_1^{e^x} dy \right) dx.$$

[4 marks]

Solution:

$$\int_1^e \left( \int_{\ln y}^1 dx \right) dy.$$