

1. (10 marks) Let  $I$  be an interval, let  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable and let  $f'$  be bounded on  $I$ . Prove that  $f$  is Lipschitz continuous on  $I$  i.e. prove that there exists a  $K > 0$  such that for all  $x, u \in I$  it holds that  $|f(x) - f(u)| \leq K|x - u|$ .

**Solution:**

Since  $f'$  is bounded on  $I$  there exists a  $K > 0$  such that  $|f'(x)| \leq K$  for all  $x \in I$ . We will prove that for this  $K$  it holds that  $|f(x) - f(u)| \leq K|x - u|$  for all  $x, u \in I$ . If  $x = u$  this is obvious. Now assume that  $x \neq u$ ; due to symmetry we may assume w.l.o.g. that  $x < u$ . We will now apply the mean value theorem to the function  $f$  on the interval  $[x, u]$ ; the conditions of this theorem are satisfied since  $f$  is differentiable (and thus also especially continuous) on all of  $I \supseteq [x, u]$ . Thus there exists a  $c \in ]x, u[$  (and thus in  $I$ ) such that

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(x) - f(u)}{x - u}$$

Then  $f(x) - f(u) = f'(c)(x - u)$  and thus  $|f(x) - f(u)| = |f'(c)| \cdot |x - u| \leq K|x - u|$ .

In any case we thus have  $|f(x) - f(u)| \leq K|x - u|$  which is what we had to prove.

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2. (10 marks) Let  $f : [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f(x) := \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}$

- (a) Let  $P := \{x_0 = -1, x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}, x_n = 1\}$  be an arbitrary partition of  $[-1, 1]$ , and let  $1 \leq k \leq n$  be such that  $0 \in ]x_{k-1}, x_k[$ . Prove that  $U(f, P) = 2$ , and that

$$L(f, P) = \begin{cases} 2 + x_{k-1} - x_k & \text{if } 0 \in ]x_{k-1}, x_k[ \\ 2 + x_{k-1} - x_{k+1} & \text{if } 0 = x_k \end{cases}$$

- (b) Prove that if the mesh of  $P$  is less than  $\delta$ , then  $2 - 2\delta < L(f, P)$ .  
(c) Prove directly from the definition of Riemann integrability and parts (a) and (b) that  $f$  is Riemann integrable on  $[-1, 1]$  and determine  $\int_{-1}^1 f$ . No other method will be accepted!

**Solution:**

- (a) We have that  $0 \leq f(x) \leq 1$  for all  $x \in [-1, 1]$  and that  $f$  is different from 1 at at most one point on any of the partition intervals. Thus for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$  we have

$$M_i := \sup \{f(x) : x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]\} = 1$$

and

$$U(f, P) = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i (x_i - x_{i-1}) = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - x_{i-1}) \stackrel{\text{Telesc. sum}}{=} x_n - x_0 = 1 - (-1) = 2$$

Now we'll determine  $L(f, P)$ .

1. Case:  $x_k \neq 0$  i.e.  $x_k \in ]x_{k-1}, x_k[$

In this case, the only partition interval containing 0 is  $[x_{k-1}, x_k]$ . Hence

$$m_i := \inf \{f(x) : x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]\} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i \neq k \\ 0 & \text{if } i = k \end{cases}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} L(f, P) &= \sum_{i=1}^n m_i (x_i - x_{i-1}) = \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} (x_i - x_{i-1}) + \sum_{i=k+1}^n (x_i - x_{i-1}) \\ &\stackrel{\text{Telesc. sum}}{=} (x_{k-1} - x_0) + (x_n - x_k) = (x_{k-1} + 1) + (1 - x_k) = 2 + x_{k-1} - x_k \end{aligned}$$

2. Case:  $x_k = 0$

In this case, 0 is contained in exactly two partition intervals:  $[x_{k-1}, x_k]$  and  $[x_k, x_{k+1}]$ . Hence

$$m_i := \inf \{f(x) : x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]\} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i \neq k, k+1 \\ 0 & \text{if } i = k \text{ or } i = k+1 \end{cases}$$

Thus

$$L(f, P) = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i(x_i - x_{i-1}) = \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} (x_i - x_{i-1}) + \sum_{i=k+2}^n (x_i - x_{i-1})$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Telesc. sum}}{=} (x_{k-1} - x_0) + (x_n - x_{k+1}) = (x_{k-1} + 1) + (1 - x_{k+1}) = 2 + x_{k-1} - x_{k+1}$$

This proves the formula for  $L(f, P)$  in all cases.

(b) Let the mesh of  $P$  be less than  $\delta$ . Then

$$L(f, P) = \begin{cases} 2 + x_{k-1} - x_k = 2 - (x_k - x_{k-1}) > 2 - \delta > 2 - 2\delta \\ 2 + x_{k-1} - x_{k+1} = 2 - (x_{k+1} - x_k) - (x_k - x_{k-1}) > 2 - \delta - \delta = 2 - 2\delta \end{cases}$$

We thus have  $2 - \delta < L(f, P)$  in all cases.

(c) It follows from parts (a) and (b) that for any partition  $P$  of  $[-1, 1]$  of mesh less than  $\delta$  it holds that

Consequently,  $2 - 2\delta < L(f) \leq U(f) \leq 2$  for all  $\delta > 0$ . Hence  $2 = L(f) = U(f)$ , which means that  $f$  is Riemann integrable on  $[-1, 1]$ , and that  $\int_{-1}^1 f = 2$ .

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3. (10 marks) Let  $S := \{\frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . Consider the function  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$f(x) := \begin{cases} \sin(1/x) & \text{if } x \in S \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Use the squeeze theorem to prove that  $f$  is Riemann integrable on  $[0, 1]$  and compute  $\int_0^1 f$ .

**Solution:**

1. Solution

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Note that  $-1 \leq f(x) \leq 1$  for all  $x \in [0, 1]$ ; this motivates the following definitions for  $\alpha, \omega : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ :

$$\alpha(x) := \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } x \in [0, \frac{\varepsilon}{4}] \\ f(x) & \text{if } x \in ]\frac{\varepsilon}{4}, 1] \end{cases}$$

and

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$$\omega(x) := \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in [0, \frac{\varepsilon}{4}] \\ f(x) & \text{if } x \in ]\frac{\varepsilon}{4}, 1] \end{cases}$$

Then  $\alpha$  and  $\omega$  are constant on  $[0, \frac{\varepsilon}{4}]$ , and are thus Riemann integrable on this interval.

Now note that  $] \frac{\varepsilon}{4}, 1]$  is finite since  $\frac{1}{n} > \frac{\varepsilon}{4} \Leftrightarrow n < \frac{4}{\varepsilon}$  which is only satisfied by finitely many  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . This means that  $\alpha$  and  $\omega$  are constantly zero on  $] \frac{\varepsilon}{4}, 1]$  except at finitely many points. It now follows from assignment 4 that both  $\alpha$  and  $\omega$  are Riemann integrable on  $] \frac{\varepsilon}{4}, 1]$ . Finally, it follows from additivity that  $\alpha$  and  $\omega$  are Riemann integrable on  $[0, 1]$  and that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \alpha &= \int_0^{\frac{\varepsilon}{4}} \alpha = (-1) \frac{\varepsilon}{4} = -\frac{\varepsilon}{4} \\ \int_0^1 \omega &= \int_0^{\frac{\varepsilon}{4}} \omega = 1 \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{4} = \frac{\varepsilon}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\int_0^1 (\omega - \alpha) = \frac{\varepsilon}{2} < \varepsilon$$

$\alpha$  and  $\omega$  thus satisfy all conditions of the squeeze theorem and we conclude that  $f$  is Riemann integrable on  $[0, 1]$ . Finally, it follows from  $\alpha(x) \leq f(x) \leq \omega(x)$  for all  $x \in [0, 1]$  that

$$\int_0^1 \alpha = -\frac{\varepsilon}{4} \leq \int_0^1 f \leq \int_0^1 \omega = \frac{\varepsilon}{4}$$

i.e. that  $-\frac{\varepsilon}{4} \leq \int_0^1 f \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{4}$  for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ . But this means that  $\int_0^1 f = 0$ .

2. Solution

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Consider the following functions  $\alpha, \omega : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ :

$$\alpha(x) := \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } x \in S \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and

$$\omega(x) := \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in S \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then  $\alpha(x) \leq f(x) \leq \omega(x)$  for all  $x \in [0, 1]$  since the sine function only attains values between  $-1$  and  $1$ . Note that  $\omega$  is Riemann integrable on  $[0, 1]$  with  $\int_0^1 \omega = 0$  as shown on assignment 5. Note furthermore that  $\alpha = -\omega$  which implies that  $\alpha$  is Riemann integrable on  $[0, 1]$  as well. Lastly,

All conditions of the squeeze theorem are thus satisfied, and we conclude that  $f$  is Riemann integrable on  $[0, 1]$ . Finally, it follows from  $\alpha(x) \leq f(x) \leq \omega(x)$  on  $[0, 1]$  that

$$0 = \int_0^1 \alpha \leq \int_0^1 f \leq \int_0^1 \omega = 0$$

This implies that  $\int_0^1 f = 0$ .

4. (10 marks) Let  $f_n : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f_n(x) := \frac{1}{1 + nx^2}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

- (a) Prove that  $(f_n)$  converges pointwise on  $\mathbb{R}$  and find the limit function  $f$ .
- (b) Prove that  $(f_n)$  converges uniformly on  $[a, \infty[$  for any  $a > 0$ .
- (c) Prove that  $(f_n)$  does *not* converge uniformly on  $[0, \infty[$ .
- (d) Does  $(f_n)$  converge uniformly on  $]0, \infty[$ ? Justify!

**Solution:**

- (a) Let  $x \neq 0$ . Then

$$\lim (f_n(x)) = \lim \left( \frac{1}{1 + nx^2} \right) = \lim \left( \frac{\frac{1}{n}}{\frac{1}{n} + x^2} \right) = \frac{\lim \left( \frac{1}{n} \right)}{\lim \left( \frac{1}{n} + x^2 \right)} = \frac{0}{x^2} = 0$$

for all  $x \neq 0$ . For  $x = 0$  we get:  $f_n(0) = 1$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Thus  $\lim (f_n(0)) = 1$ . Summarizing:

$f_n \rightarrow f$  on  $\mathbb{R}$  where  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x \neq 0 \end{cases}$

- (b)

$$|f_n(x) - f(x)| = \left| \frac{1}{1 + nx^2} - 0 \right| = \frac{1}{1 + nx^2} < \frac{1}{nx^2} \leq \frac{1}{na^2}$$

for all  $x \in [a, \infty[$  and for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Now let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and let  $N > \frac{1}{a^2\varepsilon}$ . Then  $|f_n(x) - f(x)| \leq \frac{1}{na^2} \leq \frac{1}{Na^2} < \varepsilon$  for all  $x \in [a, \infty[$  and all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Hence  $f_n \Rightarrow f$  on  $[a, \infty[$ .

- (c) 1. Solution:  $f_n$  is continuous on  $\mathbb{R}$  and thus on  $[0, \infty[$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . However,  $f$  is discontinuous at  $x = 0$ . Since uniform convergence preserves continuity it follows immediately that  $f_n \not\Rightarrow f$  on  $[0, \infty[$ .

2. Solution: We use the sequential criterion for non-uniform convergence. Let  $x_n := \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$  and let  $\varepsilon := \frac{1}{2}$ . Then

$$|f_n(x_n) - f(x_n)| = \left| \frac{1}{1 + n \cdot \frac{1}{n}} - 0 \right| = \frac{1}{2} \geq \varepsilon$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Thus  $f_n \not\Rightarrow f$  on  $[0, \infty[$ .

- (d) Since  $x_n \in ]0, \infty[$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , it follows from the 2. solution to part (c) above that  $f_n \not\Rightarrow f$  on  $]0, \infty[$ .