

(1) (a) (10 points) Prove that the series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{x^n}{n!} \right)^3$$

is convergent for any $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

(b) (20 points) Prove that the function $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{x^n}{n!} \right)^3$$

is a continuous function on \mathbb{R} .

1(a):

• If $x=0$, then the series clearly converges to 0.

• If $x \neq 0$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\left(\frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \right)^3}{\left(\frac{x^n}{n!} \right)^3} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x|^3}{(n+1)^3} = 0,$$

hence the series conv. by ratio test.

1(b):

Claim: The series $\sum \left(\frac{x^n}{n!} \right)^3$ conv. uniformly on $[-R, R]$. $\forall R > 0$.

pf: • For $x \in [-R, R]$, $\left| \left(\frac{x^n}{n!} \right)^3 \right| \leq \left(\frac{R^n}{n!} \right)^3$.

• $\sum \left(\frac{R^n}{n!} \right)^3$ converges by the ratio test as in part (a).

• By Weierstrass M-test, the claim follows. \square

• Since $\sum_{n=0}^N \left(\frac{x^n}{n!} \right)^3$ is continuous for any $N > 0$, by the claim,

we have $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{x^n}{n!} \right)^3$ is continuous on $[-R, R]$ $\forall R > 0$. [unif. limit of conti. fcn. is conti.]

• $\forall x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$, $\exists R > 0$ s.t. $|x_0| < R$. Hence $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{x^n}{n!} \right)^3$ is continuous at x_0 for any $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$. Therefore conti. on \mathbb{R} . \square

Note: The series $\sum \left(\frac{x^n}{n!}\right)^3$ does **not** converge uniformly on \mathbb{R} .

since $\sup \left\{ \left| \frac{x^n}{n!} \right|^3 : x \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = +\infty$ for any n .

(Recall that if the series conv. unif. on \mathbb{R} , then we should have:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sup \left\{ \left| \frac{x^n}{n!} \right|^3 : x \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \right) = 0.)$$

(2) (20 points) Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function on \mathbb{R} satisfying $f(x + 2\pi) = f(x)$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Prove that f is uniformly continuous on \mathbb{R} .

- f is continuous on the compact set $[0, 2\pi]$, therefore f is uniformly continuous on $[0, 2\pi]$, i.e.

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \tilde{\delta} > 0 \text{ s.t.}$$

$$\text{if } \begin{cases} x, y \in [0, 2\pi], \\ |x - y| < \tilde{\delta} \end{cases} \text{ then } |f(x) - f(y)| < \varepsilon/2.$$

- Since $f(x + 2\pi) = f(x) \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$, we also have: $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$,

$$\text{if } \begin{cases} x, y \in [2\pi n, 2\pi(n+1)] \\ |x - y| < \tilde{\delta} \end{cases} \text{ then } |f(x) - f(y)| < \varepsilon/2.$$

- Define $\delta = \min \{ \tilde{\delta}, \pi \} > 0$.

Claim: if $\begin{cases} x, y \in \mathbb{R} \\ |x - y| < \delta \end{cases}$, then $|f(x) - f(y)| < \varepsilon$.

pf: Since $|x - y| < \delta \leq \pi$, one of the following two situations happen:

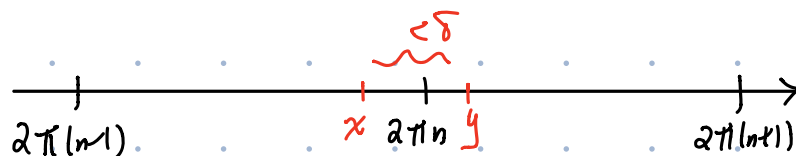
Case 1:

$$x, y \in [2\pi n, 2\pi(n+1)] \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$



$$\text{then } |f(x) - f(y)| < \varepsilon/2.$$

Case 2:



$$\text{then } |f(x) - f(y)| \leq |f(x) - f(2\pi n)| + |f(y) - f(2\pi n)|$$

$$< \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon. \quad \square$$

- (3) Let $S_1 = (\mathbb{R}, d_{\text{std}})$ be the standard metric space of real numbers, i.e. $d_{\text{std}}(x, y) = |x - y|$. Let $S_2 = (\mathbb{R}, d_0)$ be the metric space whose elements are still the real numbers, but equipped with a different distance function:

$$d_0(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x \neq y, \\ 0, & \text{if } x = y. \end{cases}$$

- (a) (10 points) Characterize all the open subsets of S_2 , and justify your answer.
- (b) (10 points) Characterize all the compact subsets of S_2 , and justify your answer.
- (c) (15 points) Characterize all the continuous functions $f: S_2 \rightarrow S_1$, and justify your answer.
- (d) (15 points) Characterize all the continuous functions $f: S_1 \rightarrow S_2$, and justify your answer.

(Warning: Do NOT simply copy and paste the definition of open, compact, or continuous. Give more explicit descriptions.)

(a) Claim: Any subset of S_2 is open.

pf: $\forall x_0 \in S_2, B_{1/2}(x_0) = \{x_0\}$.

Hence the one-point set $\{x_0\}$ is open in $S_2 \forall x_0 \in S_2$.

Since any union of open subsets is open, the claim follows. \square

(b) Claim: $E \subseteq S_2$ is compact $\Leftrightarrow E$ is a finite set.

pf: It's clear by the definition of compactness that any finite set is compact.

Now if $E \subseteq S_2$ is an infinite set,

$$E = \{x_\alpha \mid \alpha \in I\} \subseteq S_2.$$

Then $E = \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} \{x_\alpha\}$ is an open cover of E

(since any subset of S_2 is open), which doesn't

admit any finite subcover. So E is not compact. \square

(c) Claim: Any function $f: S_2 \rightarrow S_1$ is continuous.

pf: " $f: S_2 \rightarrow S_1$ continuous" \iff " $\forall u \subseteq S_1, f^{-1}(u) \subseteq S_2$ ".
 open is open

Since any subset of S_2 is open, the claim follows. \square

(d) Claim: $f: S_1 \rightarrow S_2$ continuous \iff f is a constant function.

pf: First, it's easy to show using (a) that if $E \subseteq S_2$ is a nonempty connected subset, then E consists of a single point. (if $E = \{x_0\} \cup \{x_\alpha: \alpha \in I\}$, then

the open sets $\{x_0\}$ and $\{x_\alpha: \alpha \in I\}$ separate E).

Suppose $f: S_1 \rightarrow S_2$ is conti., since $S_1 = (\mathbb{R}, d_{std})$ is connected, we have $f(S_1) \subseteq S_2$ is connected, therefore must be a single point. \square