

Math 327 Fall 2016 Final Exam

*Write clearly and legibly. Justify all your answers.
You will be graded for correctness and clarity of your solutions.
You may use one 8.5 x 11 sheet of notes; writing is allowed on both sides.
You may use a calculator.
You can use elementary algebra and any result that we proved in class (but not in the homework). You need to prove everything else.
Please raise your hand and ask a question if anything is not clear.
This exam contains 8 pages and is worth a total of 90 points.
You have 1 hour and 50 minutes. Good luck*

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- **Problem 1** (10 points) Prove that if $|r| < 1$ then $\{r^n\}$ converges (do a full proof using the definition of limit of a sequence, do not just quote a result from class)

We want to prove $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r^n = 0$ that is

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists M \forall n \geq M \quad |r^n| < \epsilon$$

If $r=0$ then $r^n=0$ so obviously $|r^n|=0 < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq 1$
 assume $r \neq 0$. Given ϵ take $n > \frac{\ln \epsilon}{\ln |r|}$ then if $n > M \quad n > \frac{\ln \epsilon}{\ln |r|}$ so

$n \ln |r| < \ln \epsilon$ so $\ln |r|^n < \ln \epsilon$ so $|r|^n < \epsilon$ (since $\ln x$ is an increasing function)

Scratch work

$$|r^n| < \epsilon \iff$$

$$|r|^n < \epsilon \iff \text{if } r \neq 0$$

$$n \ln |r| < \ln \epsilon \iff$$

$$n > \frac{\ln \epsilon}{\ln |r|}$$

• **Problem 2** (15 points) Decide if the following functions are uniformly continuous, and prove your answer.

1. $f: (0, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$

No: take $u_n = \frac{1}{n}, v_n = \frac{1}{2n}$ then $u_n - v_n = \frac{1}{2n} \rightarrow 0$
 but $f(u_n) - f(v_n) = n^2 - (2n)^2 = -3n^2 \neq 0$

2. $f: (\frac{1}{2}, 2) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$

yes we want to prove

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0 \forall x, y \in (\frac{1}{2}, 2) |x-y| < \delta \Rightarrow \left| \frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{1}{y^2} \right| < \epsilon$$

Given ϵ take $\delta < \frac{\epsilon}{64}$ then $\left| \frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{1}{y^2} \right| = \frac{|y^2 - x^2|}{x^2 y^2} = \frac{|x-y||x+y|}{x^2 y^2} \leq$

$$\frac{\delta \cdot 4}{\frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{4}} = 64 \delta < \epsilon$$

Scratch work: want $\left| \frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{1}{y^2} \right| = \frac{|y^2 - x^2|}{x^2 y^2} = \frac{|x+y||x-y|}{x^2 y^2} < \epsilon$
 and on $(\frac{1}{2}, 2)$ $|x+y| \leq 4, x^2 y^2 \geq \frac{1}{16}$ so we just need
 $\frac{|x+y||x-y|}{x^2 y^2} \leq 4 \cdot 16 \delta < \epsilon \Rightarrow \delta < \frac{\epsilon}{64}$

3. **Problem 3** (15 points) Prove that the image of a closed and bounded set under a continuous function is closed. That is, if $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous and D is closed and bounded, then $f(D)$ is closed.

Assume $\{y_n\}$ is a sequence in $f(D)$ and $y_n \rightarrow y_0$

We need to show $y_0 \in f(D)$

Since $y_n \in f(D)$, $y_n = f(x_n)$ for some $x_n \in D$

The sequence $\{x_n\}$ is bounded (because D is bounded)

so it has a convergent subsequence $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x_0$, $x_0 \in D$

(because D is closed) and $f(x_{n_k}) \rightarrow f(x_0)$ because

f is continuous. But $f(x_{n_k}) = y_{n_k}$ is a subsequence of

$\{y_n\}$ so it must also converge to y_0 , therefore

$y_0 = f(x_0)$ so $y_0 \in f(D)$.

4. **Problem 4** (15 points) Given $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ define what it means to say that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = l$. We have given two equivalent definitions, you can use either one of the two.

If $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in D , with $x_n \neq x_0$, such that $x_n \rightarrow x_0$ then $f(x_n) \rightarrow l$

Or

$\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0 \forall x \in D - \{x_0\} |x - x_0| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - l| < \epsilon$

Given $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ define what it means to say the f is continuous at $x_0 \in D$.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = f(x_0)$$

Using the definition above, prove that $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) = 2x + 1$ is continuous everywhere (do a full proof, do not just quote the result from class that sums and products of continuous functions are continuous. You can use limit laws, if you like).

Suppose $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence s.t. $x_n \rightarrow x_0$, then by limit properties of sequences $2x_n + 1 \rightarrow 2x_0 + 1 = f(x_0)$

5. **Problem 5** (15 points) Say whether the following series diverge or converge and justify your answer.

a) $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{i^2+1}}{i^4+5}$

it converges since $\sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{l^3}$ converges and

$$\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{\sqrt{l^2+1}}{l^4+5}}{\frac{1}{l^3}} = \frac{l^3 \cdot l \cdot \sqrt{1+1/l^2}}{l^4 (1 + \frac{5}{l^4})} = 1$$

b) $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{10^i}{i!}$

it converges by the ratio test

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{10^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \cdot \frac{n!}{10^n} = 0$$

c) $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i$ where $\begin{cases} a_i = \frac{1}{i} & \text{if } i \text{ is odd} \\ a_i = \frac{1}{i^2} & \text{if } i \text{ is even} \end{cases}$

It diverges since $a_l \geq b_l > 0$ where $b_l = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{l} & \text{if } l \text{ is odd} \\ 0 & \text{if } l \text{ is even} \end{cases}$

and $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2k-1}$

(more precisely if $s_n = \sum_{l=1}^n b_l$ and $t_n = \sum_{l=1}^n \frac{1}{2l-1}$

then $t_n = s_{2n}$)

and $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2k-1}$ diverges by limit comparison test

with $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} : \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{2k-1}}{\frac{1}{k}} = \frac{k}{2(2-\frac{1}{k})} = \frac{1}{2}$

(so t_n diverges and since a subsequence s_{2n} of s_n diverges then s_n diverges too)

so $\sum_{l=1}^{\infty} b_l$ diverges and therefore $\sum_{l=1}^{\infty} a_l$ diverges

6. **Problem 6** (20 points) Consider the sequence of functions $\{f_n\}$, with $f_n : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f_n(x) = \frac{x^{2n}}{1+x^{2n}}$

a) find the function f the sequence converges pointwise

$$f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } |x| < 1 \\ 1/2 & \text{if } x = \pm 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } |x| > 1 \end{cases}$$

since if $|x| < 1$ $x^{2n} \rightarrow 0$
 if $|x| = 1$ $|x|^{2n} = 1$
 if $|x| > 1$ $\frac{x^{2n}}{x^{2n}(1+(1/x^2)^n)} \rightarrow 1$ since $\frac{1}{x^2} < 1$

b) does $\{f_n\}$ converge to f uniformly? Justify your answer

No f is not continuous

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- c) If you change the domain of f_n from R to $(0, \frac{1}{2})$, find the function f the sequence converges pointwise.

$$f: (0, \frac{1}{2}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$
$$f(x) = 0$$

- d) Does the sequence in part c) converge uniformly? Justify your answer.

Yes. We need to show

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists M \in \mathbb{N} \forall n \geq M \forall x \quad |f_n(x)| < \epsilon$$

Given ϵ choose $n > \frac{\ln \epsilon}{\ln \frac{1}{4}}$ then $n \ln \frac{1}{4} < \ln \epsilon$ and $(\frac{1}{4})^n < \epsilon$

$$\text{So } \left| \frac{x^{2n}}{1+x^{2n}} \right| < \frac{(\frac{1}{4})^n}{1} < \epsilon$$

Scratchwork: want $\frac{x^{2n}}{1+x^{2n}} < \epsilon$ since on $(0, \frac{1}{2})$

$$\frac{x^{2n}}{1+x^{2n}} < \frac{x^{2n}}{1} < (\frac{1}{4})^n \quad \text{it is sufficient to take } (\frac{1}{4})^n < \epsilon$$

$$\text{So } n > \frac{\ln \epsilon}{\ln \frac{1}{4}}$$

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