

# Real Analysis

**Problem 1.** If  $F : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a monotone function, show that

$$\|F\|_{TV([a,b])} = F(b) - F(a)$$

for any interval  $[a, b]$ , and that  $F$  has bounded variation on  $\mathbb{R}$  if and only if it is bounded. Here

$$\|F\|_{TV([a,b])} = \sup_{a \leq x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n \leq b} \sum_i |F(x_i) - F(x_{i+1})|.$$

**Problem 2.** Compute the area of a regular  $2^n$ -gon,  $n = 2, 3, \dots$ , inscribed in the unit circle. Rigorously prove that this quantity converges to  $\pi$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

For the purposes of this problem, please use the definition which states that  $\pi$  equals the ratio of a circle's circumference to its diameter. Do not use the definition that  $\pi$  is the ratio of the area of a circle to the square of its radius.

**Problem 3.** Suppose that  $f_n, f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ , and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = f(x)$  a.e.. Prove that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f_n - f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)} = 0 \text{ if and only if } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f_n\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)} = \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)}.$$

**Problem 4.** Compute the three dimensional Lebesgue measure of the following subset of  $\mathbb{R}^2 \times [0, \pi)$ :

$$\left\{ (x, y, \theta) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times [0, \pi) : x^2 + y^2 \leq 1; \theta \in [0, \pi); (x + \cos \theta)^2 + (y + \sin \theta)^2 \leq 1 \right\}.$$

For a bit of extra credit, give a simple geometric interpretation of the quantity you just computed.

**Problem 5.** i) State the Fubini theorem.

ii) Define  $f : [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$f(x, y) = \frac{x^2 - y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}.$$

Compute

$$\int_0^1 \left( \int_0^1 f(x, y) dx \right) dy \text{ and } \int_0^1 \left( \int_0^1 f(x, y) dy \right) dx.$$

Why doesn't the result contradict the Fubini theorem?

## Complex Analysis

1. Write the two Laurent series in powers of  $z$  that represent the function

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z^3(z^2 + 9)}$$

in certain domains, and specify those domains.

2. Let  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  be a domain, such that  $\partial D$  (i.e., the frontier of  $D$ ) is a positively oriented simple contour. Prove that the area of  $D$  is given by

$$\frac{1}{2i} \int_{\partial D} \bar{z} dz.$$

3. Let  $f$  be an analytic function inside and on a positively oriented simple contour  $\gamma$ , also having no zeros on  $\gamma$ . Prove that if  $f$  has  $n$  zeros  $z_k$  ( $1 \leq k \leq n$ ) inside  $C$ , where each  $z_k$  has multiplicity  $m_k$ , then

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = 2\pi i \sum_{k=1}^n m_k z_k.$$

4. Compute, using the residue theorem and including complete justifications,

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\ln x}{(1+x)^3} dx.$$

5. Let  $D = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \operatorname{Re} z > 0\}$  and  $f : D \rightarrow D$  a holomorphic function. Prove that

$$|f'(z)| \leq \frac{\operatorname{Re} f(z)}{\operatorname{Re} z}, \quad (\forall) z \in D,$$

where  $\operatorname{Re} z$  is the real part of the complex number  $z$ , i.e.,  $\operatorname{Re}(x + iy) = x$ .

## Algebra I

### Problems

1. Part a) Describe all finite groups with only two conjugacy classes.  
Part b) Describe all finite groups with only three conjugacy classes.
2. (a) Let  $\mathbb{F}_3 := \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$ . Find all values of  $a \in \mathbb{F}_3$  such that the quotient ring

$$\mathbb{F}_3[x]/(x^3 + x^2 + ax + 1)$$

is a field. Justify your answer.

- (b) Let  $F$  be a field and  $E$  an integral domain. Suppose  $F$  is a subring of  $E$ . Prove that if the dimension of  $E$  as a vector space over  $F$  is finite, then  $E$  is a field.
3. Prove that all groups of order 12 are solvable. (Note: you cannot simply state Burnside's theorem.)

4. All PID's are UFD's. Prove the first part of this assertion. That is, if  $R$  is a PID and  $r \in R$ , then there exists irreducible elements  $p_1, \dots, p_n \in R$  such that  $r = p_1 \cdots p_n$ .
5. Prove that normality of fields is not transitive. That is, give an explicit example of field extensions  $F \leq K \leq E$  such that  $E/K$  and  $K/F$  are normal, but  $E/F$  is not. (Make sure to justify any statements you make about your example.)

## Algebra II

1. (a) Let  $F \leq K \leq E$  be field extensions. Suppose  $K/F$  is Galois, and  $E/K$  is Galois. Prove or give a counterexample that  $E/F$  is Galois.  
 (b) Let  $f \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$  be an odd degree polynomial with cyclic Galois group. Prove that all the roots of  $f$  are real.
2. Let  $\zeta_n$  be a primitive  $n$ -th root of unity. Suppose  $n$  is odd and composite. Prove that the Galois group  $Gal(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)/\mathbb{Q})$  of the cyclotomic extension over  $\mathbb{Q}$  is not cyclic.
3. Let  $A$  be an integral domain with quotient field  $K$ , and let  $L$  be a finite separable extension of  $K$ . Let  $B$  be the set of elements of  $L$  that are integral over  $A$ . Prove that  $L$  is the fraction field of  $B$ .
4. If  $E = \mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$  where  $\alpha$  is a root of the cubic  $x^3 - 3x + 1$ , find the norm and trace of  $\alpha^2$  over  $E$ .
5. Suppose

$$0 \longrightarrow N_1 \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow N_2 \longrightarrow 0$$

is an exact sequence of  $R$ -modules. Prove that if  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  are finitely generated then  $M$  is finitely generated. Give a counterexample to the converse; explicitly describe the ring  $R$  and modules involved in your example.

## Topology

### Problem 1.

1. Let  $X$  be a topological space. Let  $\Delta_X = \{(x, x) : x \in X\}$  be the diagonal in the product space  $X \times X$ . Then **prove** that  $X$  is Hausdorff **iff** the diagonal  $\Delta_X$  is closed in  $X \times X$ .
2. Prove that the topological space  $X$  is Hausdorff **iff** every net  $(s_n)_{n \in D}$  in  $X$  converges to at most one point.
3. Let  $C$  and  $D$  be disjoint compact subsets of a Hausdorff space  $X$ . Then prove that there exist disjoint open subsets  $U$  and  $V$  of  $X$  such that  $C \subset U$  and  $D \subset V$ .

**Problem 2.** Recall that a topological space  $X$  is *connected* **iff** whenever  $U$  and  $V$  are disjoint open subsets of  $X$  such that  $X = U \cup V$  then either  $U = \emptyset$  or  $V = \emptyset$ . Recall also that a subset  $A$  of  $X$  is said to be *connected* **iff** it is connected for the relative topology from  $X$  – i.e., **iff** whenever  $U$  and  $V$  are open subsets of  $X$  such that  $U \cap V \cap A = \emptyset$  and such that  $A \subset U \cup V$  then either  $A \cap U = \emptyset$  or  $A \cap V = \emptyset$ .

1. If  $A$  is a connected subset of the topological space  $X$ , then **prove** that the subset  $\overline{A}$  of  $X$  is connected.
2. If  $X$  and  $Y$  are connected topological spaces, then **prove** that  $X \times Y$  is connected. Use this to prove that the Cartesian product of finitely many connected spaces is connected.
3. Let  $(X_i)_{i \in I}$  be an indexed family of non-empty connected topological spaces. Suppose that we choose an element  $t_i \in X_i$  for every  $i \in I$ . If  $K$  is any finite subset of the index set  $I$ , then let  $X_K = \{(x_i)_{i \in I} : x_i = t_i, \text{ for all } i \notin K\}$ . Then **prove** that  $X_K$  is homeomorphic to  $\prod_{i \in K} X_i$ . Use this and what you proved above to **prove** that  $X_K$  is connected, for every finite subset  $K$  of  $I$ .

4. In class, we proved that, if  $X$  is a topological space,  $x \in X$  and if  $\mathfrak{A}$  is a collection of connected subsets of  $X$  such that  $x \in A$ , for all  $A \in \mathfrak{A}$ , then the subset  $\cup_{A \in \mathfrak{A}} A$  of  $X$  is connected.

If  $(X_i)_{i \in I}$  and  $t_i, i \in I$  are as above, then let  $Y = \{(x_i)_{i \in I} : x_i = t_i, \text{ for all but finitely many } i \in I\}$ . Then, using your results above, **prove** that the subset  $Y$  of  $\prod_{i \in I} X_i$  is connected.

5. **Prove** that  $Y$  is dense in  $\prod_{i \in I} X_i$ .
6. Using your results above, **prove** that  $\prod_{i \in I} X_i$  is connected.

**Problem 3.** Let  $X$  be a set and let  $(s_n)_{n \in D}$  be a net in the set  $X$ . Then recall that a *subnet* of the net  $(s_n)_{n \in D}$  is a net  $(t_m)_{m \in E}$  together with an order-preserving function  $T : E \rightarrow D$  such that the subset  $T(E)$  of  $D$  is *cofinal* (i.e. such that  $n \in D$  implies  $\exists m \in E$  such that  $n \leq T(m)$ ), and such that  $s_{T(m)} = t_m$ , for all  $m \in E$ . Recall also that, if  $X$  is a topological space and  $x \in X$ , then we say that the net  $(s_n)_{n \in D}$  *converges* to  $x$  **iff** the net  $(s_n)_{n \in D}$  is eventually in every neighborhood of  $x$  in  $X$  (i.e., **iff**  $U$  a neighborhood of  $x$  in  $X$  implies there exists  $n \in D$  such that  $m \geq n$  in  $D$  implies  $s_m \in U$ .) We say that  $x$  is a *cluster point* of the net  $(s_n)_{n \in D}$  **iff** the net  $(s_n)_{n \in D}$  is frequently in every neighborhood of  $x$  (i.e., **iff**  $U$  a neighborhood of  $x$  in  $X$  and  $n \in D$  implies there exists  $m \geq n$  in  $D$  such that  $s_m \in U$ .)

1. Let  $(s_n)_{n \in D}$  be a net in the topological space  $X$ , and let  $x$  be a cluster point of  $x$ . Then **prove** that there exists a subnet  $(t_m)_{m \in E}$  of the net  $(s_n)_{n \in D}$  that converges to  $x$ .
  
2. Let  $(s_n)_{n \in D}$  be a net in the topological space  $X$ , and suppose that we have a subnet  $(t_m)_{m \in E}$  of the net  $(s_n)_{n \in D}$  that converges to  $x$ . Then **prove** that  $x$  is a cluster point of the net  $(s_n)_{n \in D}$ .

**Problem 4.** If  $(X, \mathfrak{U})$  is a uniform space, then in class we proved that the set  $\mathfrak{B}$  of all closed entourages in  $\mathfrak{U}$  is a base for the uniformity.

1.  $(X, \mathfrak{U})$  and  $\mathfrak{B}$  as above, let  $C = \bigcap_{U \in \mathfrak{B}} U$ . Then **prove** that, for every neighborhood  $V$  of the diagonal  $\Delta_X$  in  $X \times X$ , we have that  $C \subset V$ .
2. Suppose also that  $X$  is compact as topological space. Then so is  $X \times X$ , and, since a closed subset of a compact topological space is compact, it follows that all the entourages in  $\mathfrak{B}$  are compact. If  $V$  is any neighborhood of  $\Delta_X$  in  $X \times X$ , then by the last part of this problem, you know also that  $\bigcap_{U \in \mathfrak{B}} U \subset V$ . Use this to **prove** that  $V \in \mathfrak{U}$ .
3. Using what you've shown above, **prove** that, if  $(X, \mathfrak{U})$  is any *compact* uniform space, then the uniformity  $\mathfrak{U}$  of  $X$  is necessarily equal to the set of all neighborhoods of the diagonal  $\Delta_X$  in  $X \times X$ .
4. Using the above, **prove** that, if  $f : (X, \mathfrak{U}) \rightarrow (Y, \mathfrak{V})$  is a function of uniform spaces, and if  $f$  is continuous, and if  $X$  is compact as topological space, then the function  $f : (X, \mathfrak{U}) \rightarrow (Y, \mathfrak{V})$  is uniformly continuous.

### Problem 5.

1. Let  $X$  be an arbitrary topological space. Let  $x$  be such that  $x \notin X$ . Let  $X^*$  be the set  $X \cup \{x\}$ . Then let  $\tau$  be the set of all open subsets of  $X$  together with  $X^*$ . Then show that  $\tau$  is a topology on  $X^*$  that is compact and such that  $X$  is an open subspace of  $X^*$ .

**NOTE:** The topology that you've constructed above is almost *never* the same as the topology that makes  $X^*$  into what is usually called the *one-point* compactification of  $X$ .

2. For every closed compact subset  $C$  of  $X$ , let  $U_C = (X \setminus C) \cup \{x\}$ . Let  $\mu$  be the topology of  $X$ . Then let  $\rho = \mu \cup \{U_C : \text{such that } C \text{ is a closed compact subset of } X\}$ . Then *prove* that  $\rho$  is a topology on  $X^*$ .

**NOTE:** The topology  $\rho$  that you've just constructed is the *one-point* compactification of  $X$ .

3. **Prove** that the one-point topology on  $X^*$  is the finest topology on  $X^*$  such that  $X^*$  is compact and such that  $X$  is an open subspace of  $X^*$ .

## Geometry

1. Consider the subset of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  which is the graph  $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  given by  $f(\vec{x}) = |\vec{x}|$ .
  - a) Can this graph be given a differentiable structure?
  - b) Can this graph be a differentiable submanifold of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with its standard differentiable structure?
  - c) Could this set be the image of a differentiable function?
2. Consider  $M_k = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid z^2 + xy = k\}$ .
  - a) For which values of  $k$  is  $M_k$  a smooth manifold?
  - b) For  $k = 0$ , is  $M_0$  connected? Is  $M_0$  compact?
3. An exact form  $\alpha$  is a differential form that is the exterior derivative of another differential form  $\beta$ , i.e.  $\alpha = d\beta$ .
  - a) Determine whether the two-form  $\alpha = zdx \wedge dy$  is exact in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .
  - b) Let  $M$  represent an embedded submanifold of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  given by  $M = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid z - x^2 - y^2 = 1\}$ . Determine whether the restriction of  $\alpha$  to  $M$  is exact.
4. (15 pts) Let  $M$  be a differentiable manifold. A one-parameter group of transformations,  $\phi$ , on  $M$ , is a differentiable map from  $M \times \mathbb{R}$  onto  $M$  such that  $\phi(x, 0) = x$  and  $\phi(\phi(x, t), s) = \phi(x, t + s)$  for all  $x \in M, t, s \in \mathbb{R}$ . Show that the family of maps  $\phi_t: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2, \phi_t(x, y) = (e^{at}x, e^{bt}y)$ , with  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  form one parameter group of transformations.

- 5. a)** Let  $M$  be a compact connected orientable  $n$ -manifold without boundary. Let  $\beta \in \Omega^{n-1}(M)$  be a  $(n-1)$ -differential form. Show that there exists a point  $p \in M$  such that  $d\beta(p) = 0$ .
- b)** Prove that there is no embedding  $f : S^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  where  $S^1$  is the unit circle.