

## QUALIFYING EXAMINATION / ANALYSIS

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- If you have any difficulty with the wording of the following problems please contact the supervisor immediately.
- While dealing with a certain item of a multi-part problem, you are allowed to rely on any previous items (proved or not). Nonetheless, all individual answers should be fully justified.
- Throughout,  $\mathbb{R}$  denotes the real numbers, and  $\mathbb{C}$  denotes the complex numbers.

## Real Analysis I: One-dimensional calculus

1. (a) (3 points) Prove that a sequence of real numbers  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges (to a finite limit) if and only if the sequences

$$a_n := \min \{x_n, x_{n+1}\}, \quad b_n := \max \{x_n, x_{n+1}\}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots,$$

converge to a common, finite limit.

- (b) (4 points) Suppose  $f : (0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a given function and  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a given sequence of real numbers, such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = L \in \mathbb{R}$ , and

$$\min \{x_n, x_{n+1}\} \leq f(x) \leq \max \{x_n, x_{n+1}\}, \quad \text{whenever } x \in \left[\frac{1}{n+1}, \frac{1}{n}\right],$$

for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ . Prove that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = L.$$

- (c) (3 points) Given a sequence of real numbers,  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ , prove that there exists a continuous function  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f(1/n) = x_n$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , if and only if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$  exists and is finite.

2. Let  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  be a continuous function such that

$$L := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 (f(x))^n dx$$

exists and is finite.

- (a) (5 points) Prove that  $L \in [0, 1]$ .
- (b) (3 points) Given an arbitrary number  $a \in [0, 1]$ , construct a continuous function  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  such that  $L = a$  (where  $L$  is defined as above).
- (c) (2 points) Does the conclusion in point (a) (i.e., that  $L \in [0, 1]$ ) remain true if the continuous function  $f$  takes values in  $\mathbb{R}$ , instead of  $(0, \infty)$ ? Justify your answer.

*Hint for (a):* Find a good upper bound for  $f$ , first.

## Real Analysis II: Multi-dimensional calculus

1. Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be continuous on  $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$  and assume that  $\{(x_n, y_n)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a sequence of points in  $(\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}) \times (\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\})$  which converges to  $(0, 0)$ .

(a) (3 points) Prove that there exists a sequence  $\{(a_n, b_n)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  of points in  $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$  which converges to  $(0, 0)$  and such that

$$f(a_n, b_n) = \frac{1}{2}[f(x_n, 0) + f(0, y_n)], \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

(b) (5 points) Suppose that, in addition, there exist two numbers  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n, 0) &= a, & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(0, y_n) &= b, \text{ and} \\ \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} (f(x, y) - a) \cdot (f(x, y) - b) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Prove that  $a = b$ .

(c) (2 points) Under the above assumptions, prove that  $f$  has a limit at  $(0, 0)$ .

*Hint for (a):* Use the Intermediate Value Theorem.

2. (a) (2 points) Give a precise statement for the Mean Value Theorem for a function  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ .

(b) (4 points) Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be given by  $f(x, y) = (\sin x \cos y, (1 + x^2 + y^2)^{-1})$ . Prove that  $f$  is Lipschitz in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . That is, show that there is a finite constant  $L > 0$  such that

$$\|f(x_1, y_1) - f(x_2, y_2)\| \leq L\|(x_1, y_1) - (x_2, y_2)\|$$

for every  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . Here  $\|\cdot\|$  is the standard Euclidean norm in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

(c) (4 points) Show that there exists an open neighborhood  $U$  of  $f(0, \pi)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $f$  has a continuously differentiable inverse  $f^{-1}$  on  $U$ , and that  $f^{-1}$  is Lipschitz in  $U$ .

## Complex Analysis

1. (a) (2 points) State Rouché's theorem and Schwarz's lemma for holomorphic functions.  
(b) (4 points) Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$  be an open set such that  $\bar{D} := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| \leq 1\} \subset \Omega$ . Suppose that  $f$  is holomorphic in  $D := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ , continuous on  $\bar{D}$  and such that  $|f(z)| < 1$  whenever  $|z| = 1$ .  
Prove that  $f$  has a unique fixed point in  $D$  (recall that  $z$  is called a fixed point for  $f$  if  $f(z) = z$ ).  
(c) (4 points) Suppose that  $f$  is holomorphic in  $D$  and  $|f(z)| < 1$  for all  $z \in D$ . Prove that if  $f$  has two distinct fixed points in  $D$  then  $f(z) = z$  for every  $z \in D$ .
  
2. (a) (2 points) Give a precise statement of the Residue theorem.  
(b) (8 points) Use the residue calculus to compute the integral

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{\gamma + \cos \theta} d\theta$$

in the case when  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\gamma > 1$ .

*Hint for (b):* Make the substitution  $z = e^{i\theta}$ .