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**Please read carefully the general instructions:**

- During the exam any textbook, class notes, or any other supporting material is forbidden.
- In particular, calculators are not allowed during the exam.
- In all your solutions show your reasoning, explaining carefully what you are doing. Justify your answers.
- Use natural language, not just mathematical symbols.
- Use clear and legible writing. Write preferably with a ball-pen or a pen (black or dark blue ink).
- The exam has 5 questions. If you handed in homework, you solve problem 5 and select 3 problems among questions 1-4 which you solve. State clearly which problems you chose. If you opted out of the homework, you solve problems 1-5.
- Each question is graded on a 0-20 scale.
- A score of at least 50 points will ensure a pass grade.
- The exam is returned on 15th October at 11 o'clock in office 402, house 6.

GOOD LUCK!

## 1. Ordered fields

- (a) Define the notion of an ordered field.
- (b) Show that the rational numbers form an ordered field.
- (c) Prove that the rational numbers do not have the least-upper-bound property.
- (d) Show that for an ordered field  $F$  the following statements are equivalent:
  - $F$  has the least-upper-bound property.
  - Every non-empty subset of  $F$  that has a lower bound, also has a largest lower bound.
  - Every non-empty, bounded subset of  $F$  has a least upper bound as well as a largest lower bound.

### Idea of solution.

- (a) An ordered field is a field  $F$  with an order  $<$  such that the following two axioms hold:
  - for all  $x, y, z \in F$ :  $x < y \implies x + z < y + z$
  - for all  $x, y \in F$ :  $x > 0$  and  $y > 0 \implies xy > 0$
- (b) We have to check the two axioms. For the first one, we have to recall the order on  $\mathbb{Q}$ : for  $a, c \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $b, d \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 1}$  we have  $\frac{a}{b} < \frac{c}{d}$  if and only if  $ad < bc$ . This immediately implies that in  $\mathbb{Q}$  we have  $x < y$  if and only if  $0 < y - x$ , which allows to conclude that the first axiom holds. Validity of the second axiom similarly follows from the fact that the product of two positive natural numbers is a positive natural number.
- (c) Let  $A = \{x \in \mathbb{Q} \mid x^2 < 2\}$ . Then 2 is an upper bound of  $A$ , so  $A$  is bounded from above. We show that it cannot have a least upper bound. Indeed, if  $u$  is any upper bound of  $A$ , then one of the following three statements is true: either  $u^2 < 2$ ,  $u^2 = 2$  or  $u^2 > 2$ . If  $u^2 < 2$  was the case, then for large  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  we have

$$\left(u + \frac{1}{n}\right)^2 = u^2 + \frac{2}{n}u + \frac{1}{n^2} < 2$$

which contradicts the assumption that  $u$  is an upper bound of  $A$ . Further, we can exclude the case  $u^2 = 2$ , since  $\mathbb{Q}$  does not contain a root of 2. It follows that  $u^2 > 2$  must hold. But, then for large  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\left(u - \frac{1}{n}\right)^2 = u^2 - \frac{2}{n}u + \frac{1}{n^2} > 2$$

showing that there is a smaller upper bound of  $A$  than  $u$ .

- (d) The equivalence between the first two items is derived by using the additive inverse:  $u$  is an upper bound of  $A$  if and only if  $-u$  is a lower bound for  $-A$ . Together the first two items imply the last one. It remains to conclude the first item from the last. If  $A \subset F$  is bounded from above and non-empty, we take  $a_0 \in A$  and consider the bounded set  $B = \{a \in A \mid a \geq a_0\}$ . The least upper bound of  $B$ , which exists by the last item, is then also a least upper bound of  $A$ .

## 2. Uniform continuity

- (a) Define the notion of a uniformly continuous function between two metric spaces.
- (b) Denote by  $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  the set of non-negative real numbers. For  $x \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 1}$  denote by  $x^{1/n}$  the unique element of  $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  satisfying  $(x^{1/n})^n = x$ . Show that for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 1}$  the function  $f : \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  defined by  $f(x) = x^{1/n}$  is uniformly continuous.
- (c) Show that every continuous function on a compact metric space is uniformly continuous.
- (d) Let  $S \subset X$  be a dense subset of a metric space, let  $Y$  be a complete metric space and let  $f : S \rightarrow Y$  be a uniformly continuous function. Show that there is a unique continuous function  $g : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfying  $g(x) = f(x)$  for all  $x \in S$ .

**Idea of solution.**

- (a) Let  $X, Y$  be metric spaces. A function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is called uniformly continuous if for all  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is some  $\delta > 0$  such that for all  $x_1, x_2 \in X$  that satisfy  $d(x_1, x_2) < \delta$  we have  $d(f(x_1), f(x_2)) < \varepsilon$ .
- (b) Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and write  $\delta_0 = (\frac{\varepsilon}{4})^n$ . Consider the restriction of  $f$  to the interval  $[\delta_0, \infty)$ . The derivative of  $f$  on this interval equals  $x \mapsto \frac{1}{n}x^{-\frac{n-1}{n}}$ , which is bounded by some  $C > 0$ . Let  $\delta = \min\{\frac{\varepsilon}{2C}, \delta_0\}$ . We can show uniform continuity separately on the intervals  $[0, \delta_0]$  and  $[\delta_0, \infty)$ . For the first case let  $x, y \in [0, \delta_0]$ . Then

$$d(x^{1/n}, y^{1/n}) \leq x^{1/n} + y^{1/n} \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} < \varepsilon.$$

If  $x, y \in [\delta_0, \infty)$  satisfy  $d(x, y) < \delta$ , then the choice of  $C$  implies that  $d(x^{1/n}, y^{1/n}) \leq Cd(x, y) < \varepsilon$ .

- (c) This is proven in the course book – see Theorem 4.19.
- (d) Let  $x \in X$  and let  $(x_n)_n$  and  $(y_n)_n$  be two sequences of elements in  $S$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow x$ . Since  $f$  is uniformly continuous, the sequences  $(f(x_n))_n$  and  $(f(y_n))_n$  are Cauchy in  $Y$  and thus by completeness converge to points say  $a$  and  $b$  in  $Y$ , respectively. We claim that  $a = b$ . Indeed, if  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is some  $\delta > 0$  such that whenever  $w, z \in X$  satisfy  $d(w, z) < \delta$ , then  $d(f(w), f(z)) < \varepsilon$ . Let  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for all  $n \geq n_0$  we have  $d(x_n, x) < \delta/2$  and  $d(y_n, x) < \delta/2$ . Then a short calculation shows that  $d(f(x_n), f(y_n)) < \varepsilon$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ . This implies that  $d(a, b) \leq \varepsilon$ . Since  $\varepsilon > 0$  was arbitrary, we showed that  $a = b$ .

We can now define a function  $g : X \rightarrow Y$  by declaring  $g(x)$  to be the unique limit of a sequence  $(f(x_n))_n$  where  $(x_n)_n$  is any sequence of elements in  $S$  converging to  $x$ . This makes sense by the first paragraph. By construction  $g$  is continuous and extends  $f$ .

**3. Differentiation**

- (a) Let  $O \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be an open subset. Define the notion of differentiable function  $f : O \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ .
- (b) Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  be a function whose partial derivatives exist and are continuous. Show that  $f$  is differentiable.
- (c) Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  be continuously differentiable. Show that there is some constant  $M > 0$  such that for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  satisfying  $\|x\|, \|y\| \leq 1$  the following inequality holds.

$$\|f(x) - f(y)\| \leq M\|x - y\|.$$

**Idea of solutions.**

- (a) This is Definition 9.11 of the course book.
- (b) This is the second part of the proof of Theorem 9.21
- (c) This is a special case of Theorem 9.19

**4. Integration**

- (a) Give an example of a sequence of continuous functions  $f_n : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\int_0^1 f_n(x)dx = 1$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , but  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n = 0$  pointwise.
- (b) For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $f_n : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be some continuous functions such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n = 0$  pointwise. Assume that  $f_{n+1}(x) \leq f_n(x)$  holds for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and all  $x \in [0, 1]$ . Show that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 f_n(x)dx = 0$
- (c) Assume that  $f$  is a Riemann integrable function on  $[0, 1]$ . Show that  $f^2$  is Riemann integrable.

**Idea of solutions.**

- (a) One can choose the following sequence

$$f_n(x) = \begin{cases} n^2x & x \in [0, \frac{1}{n}] \\ 2n - n^2x & x \in [\frac{1}{n}, \frac{2}{n}] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (b) This follows from a combination of Theorem 7.13 and 7.16.  
(c) The proof of Theorem 6.11 can be applied.

5. True / false questions

Please indicate your answers on the separate answer sheet.

- (a) Every finite subset of  $\mathbb{Q}$  has a supremum.  
(b) If  $F$  is an ordered field and  $x \in F$ , then  $x \leq x^2$ .  
(c) The union of any collection of countable sets is countable.  
(d) The subset  $\mathbb{Q} \subset \mathbb{R}$  is neither open nor closed.  
(e) If  $A \subset \mathbb{R}$  is a bounded subset, then  $\sup A$  is a limit point of  $A$ .  
(f) If  $K$  is a compact metric space and  $(U_i)_{i \in I}$  is an open cover of  $K$ , such that for every point  $x \in K$  there are at least two sets in  $(U_i)_i$  that contain  $x$ , then there is a finite subcover of  $(U_i)_i$  having the same property.  
(g) Every convergent sequence in a metric space is a Cauchy sequence.  
(h) If  $\sum_n a_n = A$  and  $\sum_n b_n = B$  are two absolutely convergent series of real numbers, then  $\sum_n a_n b_n = AB$ .  
(i) The function  $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  is uniformly continuous.  
(j) Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function such that  $x \mapsto |f(x)|$  is a continuous function. Then  $f$  is continuous.  
(k) If  $f, g : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are two functions such that  $f$  and  $f + g$  are differentiable, then also  $g$  is differentiable.  
(l) If  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a differentiable function and  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  is such that  $f'(x) > 0$ , then there is a neighbourhood of  $x$  on which  $f$  is monotone increasing.  
(m) Every differentiable function on  $[0, 1]$  is a uniform limit of polynomials  
(n) There are two bounded functions  $f, g : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\int_0^1 (f+g)(x)dx > \int_0^1 f(x)dx + \int_0^1 g(x)dx.$$

- (o) Every monotonically increasing function on  $[0, 1]$  is Riemann-Stieltjes integrable with respect to any monotonically increasing function  $\alpha$ .  
(p) The sequence of functions  $f_n : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $f_n(x) = \frac{x}{n}$  converges uniformly to the zero function.  
(q) Let  $E$  be a metric space and  $(f_n)_n$  a sequence of continuous functions on  $E$  converging pointwise to some function  $f$ . Then  $f_n \rightarrow f$  uniformly if and only if  $f$  is continuous.  
(r) If  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is differentiable at  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , then all directional derivatives of  $f$  at  $x$  exist.  
(s) There is a sequence of Riemann integrable functions on  $[0, 1]$  which uniformly converge to the indicator function

$$\mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1]}(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in \mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (t) The Inverse Function Theorem applies at every point to the function  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $f(x, y) = e^{xy}$ .

## ANSWER SHEET FOR QUESTION 5

EXAM CODE: .....

- Answer Question 5 by placing a clear mark (either  $\checkmark$  or  $\times$ ) in the box that corresponds to your answer of the table below. Please, mark your answer ONCE only.
- In order to provide a fair exam, that does not encourage random answering, the following system is applied to calculate your points on question 5. For each correct answer you will be awarded 1 point. For each incorrect answer you will lose 1 point. If the number of incorrect answers is higher than the number of correct answers, then the total mark awarded for this question be 0.

	True	False
a.	x	
b.		x
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d.	x	
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j.		x
k.	x	
l.	x	
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p.		x
q.		x
r.	x	
s.		x
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