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Appropriate amounts of detail are required for full marks.

1. Determine which of the following statements are true, and which are false. Explain your reasoning.
 - (a) If f is a differentiable real-valued function on the interval $[a, b]$ whose derivative is non-zero in (a, b) then f does not attain a largest value on $[a, b]$.
 - (b) If a sequence of real-valued functions $\{f_n\}$ converges uniformly on \mathbb{R} to a differentiable function then there exists an integer N such that, for each $n \geq N$, the function f_n is differentiable.
 - (c) If a set K is compact subset of the real line, then either K contains some closed interval or else K is a countable union of points.
 - (d) If the real power series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k x^k$ converges at some point $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ then there exists some neighborhood containing x_0 on which the series converges.
 - (e) The set of real-valued differentiable functions on $[0, 1]$ equipped with the function

$$d(f, g) = \int_0^1 |f'(x) - g'(x)|^2 dx$$

is an example of a complete metric space.

Sketch solutions:

- (a) This statement is false. Consider the function $f(x) = x$ on $[a, b]$. Then $f'(x) \neq 0$ for every $x \in (a, b)$ but attains a largest value at b .
 - (b) This statement is false. Consider the sequence of functions f_n with $f_n(x) = 0$ for irrational x and $f_n(x) = 1/n$ for $x \in \mathbb{Q}$. Then $f_n \rightarrow 0$ uniformly but f_n is not a differentiable function for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
 - (c) This statement is false as can be seen by taking K to be the middle-third Cantor set, which is uncountable and contains no interval.
 - (d) This statement is false. Consider the power series $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (k!)^k x^k$ which converges at $x = 0$ only.
 - (e) This is not a complete metric space: in fact, d is not even a metric since $d(f, g) = 0$ whenever f and g are constant functions.
2. A subset $E \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ is said to be *complement-connected* if its complement E^c is connected.
 - (a) Give an example of a set in \mathbb{R}^2 that is connected but not complement-connected.
 - (b) If $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is a bounded continuous function and E is a complement-connected set, need $f(E)$ be complement-connected?

Sketch solutions:

- (a) One possible example of a connected set that is not complement-connected is $E = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\} \setminus \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 + y^2 < \frac{1}{2}\}$.

- (b) It need not be the case that $f(E)$ is complement connected. One way of seeing this is to identify \mathbb{R}^2 with the complex plane \mathbb{C} , and to observe that the unit disk, which is complement-connected, can be mapped to the vertical strip $\{z = x + iy \in \mathbb{C} : 1 \leq x \leq 2\}$, which in turn is mapped to an annulus using the complex exponential e^{iz} . Taking real and imaginary parts gives the desired map.

3. Compute the Riemann-Stieltjes integral

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} f d\alpha$$

where $f(x) = x^2$ and

$$\alpha(x) = \begin{cases} \sin x, & 0 \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{4} \\ 1 + \sin x, & \frac{\pi}{4} < x \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \end{cases}.$$

Sketch solutions:

We first decompose the discontinuous function $\alpha(x)$ as $\alpha = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2$ where

$$\alpha_1(x) = \sin x$$

and

$$\alpha_2(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & 0 \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{4} \\ 1 & \frac{\pi}{4} < x \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \end{cases}$$

The function α_1 is monotone increasing on $[0, \pi/4]$ and continuously differentiable, with derivative $\alpha_1'(x) = \cos x$. Hence

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} f(x) d\alpha_1(x) = \int_0^{\pi/2} x^2 \cos x dx$$

and using integration by parts, we obtain

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} f(x) d\alpha_1(x) = \frac{\pi^2}{4} - 2.$$

Since α_2 is a step function, with jump at $x = \pi/4$, we have

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} x^2 d\alpha_2(x) = \frac{\pi^2}{16}.$$

Then

$$\int f d\alpha = \int f d\alpha_1 + \int f d\alpha_2 = \frac{5\pi^2}{16} - 2.$$

4. Let $f: [-\pi, \pi]$ be a continuously differentiable function. Define a sequence $\{\hat{f}(n)\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$ via

$$\hat{f}(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) e^{-inx} dx.$$

What, if anything, can you say about

- (a) the boundedness of the sequence $\{\hat{f}(n)\}$?
- (b) the relation between the sequences $\{\hat{f}(n)\}$ and $\{\hat{f}'(n)\}$?
- (c) the limiting behavior of $\{\hat{f}(n)\}$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$?

Sketch solutions:

(a) Note that

$$|\hat{f}(n)| = \left| \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x)e^{-inx} dx \right| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)||e^{-inx}| dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)| dx$$

and the integral on the right is finite since $|f|$ is a continuous function. Hence $\{\hat{f}(n)\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is a bounded sequence.

(b) The formulation of the problem was meant to include the requirement that f be periodic. Then, by integration by parts, we get

$$\hat{f}'(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f'(x)e^{-inx} dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} [f(x)e^{-inx}]_{-\pi}^{\pi} + \frac{in}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x)e^{-inx} dx.$$

By periodicity, $\hat{f}'(n) = in\hat{f}(n)$.

(c) Note that the argument from (a) shows that $\{\hat{f}'(n)\}$ is a bounded sequence. Then,

$$|\hat{f}(n)| = \left| \frac{1}{n} \hat{f}'(n) \right| \leq \frac{C}{n}$$

Hence $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \hat{f}(n) = 0$.