

HW 8

Solutions

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25) Given a uniformly continuous function, we can, given any $\epsilon > 0$, find a $\delta > 0$ such that $\forall p, q \in E, d(p, q) < \delta \Rightarrow d(f(p), f(q)) < \epsilon$. Hence if we divide the interval $[a, b]$ into intervals of length δ , then by the continuity of the function there is some interval for which $d(p, c) < \delta \Rightarrow d(f(p), \gamma) < \epsilon$, where p is a division point. Then choosing $\epsilon/2$ we can find another point p such that $d(f(p), \gamma) < \epsilon/2$. Continuing for ϵ/n , we can construct a sequence of points whose function values converge to γ . By the compactness of the real interval $[a, b]$, we can choose a convergent subsequence of points with function values converging to γ . Hence for the limiting value $q \in [a, b]$ where $f(q) = \gamma$.

27) $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) =$ polynomial of odd degree, with presumably no nonzero coefficients. Any polynomial in $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n$ w/ coefficients in $\mathbb{R}$ is continuous. Since $\mathbb{R}$ is connected, $f(\mathbb{R})$ is connected and we can apply the intermediate value theorem. Any polynomial of odd degree has at least one real root. $\therefore$ There exists $p, q \in \mathbb{R}$ $p < q$ such that $f(p) < 0$ & $f(q) > 0$. Thus we can then choose any $p \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $f(p) \geq 0$ or $f(p) \leq 0$ and obtain any $-f(p) \in \mathbb{R}$. Thus $f(\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{R}$.

30) Consider a circle of points interior to the closed interval in E^2 . Assume the function is continuous and 1-1. Then as we traverse the points of the circle either clockwise or counter clockwise, the function must be monotonic increasing or decreasing (otherwise it would not be 1-1), and hence we find for any point on the circle there are nearby points whose function values cannot be made arbitrarily close. This implies discontinuity, a contradiction. Hence the function must not be 1-1.

32) we need $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = f(x)$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$. $\{f_n(x)\}_{n=1}^{\infty} = x^{1/2}, (x+x^{1/2})^{1/2}, \dots$
 $\Leftrightarrow f_0(x) = 0, f_n(x) = (f_{n-1}(x) + x)^{1/2}, n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

proof by induction: base case $n=1$. $f_1(x) = (f_0(x) + x)^{1/2} = (0+x)^{1/2} = x^{1/2}$. $f_1(x)$ converges.

Now assume $f_n(x)$ converges at some $n=N$ to $f(x)$.
 $f_{n+1}(x) = (f_n(x) + x)^{1/2} = (f(x) + x)^{1/2}$. Note that the right hand side is a function of x . Therefore $f_{n+1}(x)$ converges, hence $f_n(x)$ is convergent.

At the limit, the sequence must satisfy $f(x) = (f(x) + x)^{1/2}$, which implies $f^2 = f + x$, and $f^2 - f - x = 0 \Leftrightarrow f(x) = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1+4x}}{2}$

$\therefore f(x) = \frac{1 + \sqrt{1+4x}}{2}$. Ignoring the negative root, $f(x) = \frac{1 + \sqrt{1+4x}}{2}$, $x \geq 0$.

33) b) Conjecturing that the limit is $f(x) = 0$, it needs to be shown that $|0 - x^n(1-x)| < \epsilon$ for n sufficiently large, independent of x . we need the following fact: $|x^n(1-x)| < \frac{x}{n}$ on $[0, 1]$. This can be shown inductively. For $n=1$, $|x - x^2| < |x|$ is a true statement. Then we can assume the truth of the statement for n . Then $x^{n+1}(1+x) = x(x^n)(1-x) < x(\frac{x}{n}) = \frac{x^2}{n} \leq \frac{x}{n} \forall x \in [0, 1]$. Now we can say $|0 - x^n(1-x)| = |x^n(1-x)| < |\frac{x}{n}| < \frac{1}{n}$. This last quantity can be made smaller than ϵ by choosing $n > N = \frac{1}{\epsilon}$. Then we conclude $x^n(1+x)$ converges uniformly to $f(x) = 0$.

34) Given a sequence of functions f_1, f_2, f_3 on $[0, 1]$, determine uniform convergence:

$$f_n(x) = \frac{x}{1+nx^2}; \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = 0$$

$$\text{Choose } \epsilon > 0, \text{ find a } N: \left| \frac{x}{1+nx^2} - 0 \right| = \left| \frac{x}{1+nx^2} \right| \leq \left| \frac{1}{1+n} \right| < \left| \frac{1}{n} \right| < \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow N = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \therefore \text{uniformly convergent}$$

$$f_n(x) = \frac{nx}{1+nx^2}; \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{x^2} = \frac{1}{x}$$

Choose $\epsilon > 0$, find a N : $|f_n(x) - f(x)| = \left| \frac{nx}{1+n^2x^2} - \frac{1}{x} \right| =$
 $\left| \frac{nx^2 - 1 - nx^2}{x + nx^2} \right| = \left| \frac{-1}{x + nx^2} \right| \leq \left| \frac{1}{1+n} \right| < \left| \frac{1}{n} \right| < \epsilon$

$\Rightarrow N = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \therefore$ uniformly convergent.

$f_n(x) = \frac{nx}{1+n^2x^2}$; $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{2xn} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2n} = 0$

Choose $\epsilon > 0$, find a N : $|f_n(x) - f(x)| = \left| \frac{nx}{1+n^2x^2} - 0 \right| = \left| \frac{nx}{1+n^2x^2} \right|$
 $\leq \left| \frac{n}{1+n^2} \right| < \epsilon \Rightarrow \frac{N}{1+N^2} = \epsilon$; $N - \epsilon N^2 - \epsilon = 0 \Rightarrow$

$N = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1-4\epsilon^2}}{2\epsilon}$. N has a very specific condition on ϵ , $\epsilon < \frac{1}{2}$.

Since we cannot choose any ϵ , it is not uniformly convergent.

35) Since f is uniformly continuous, for a given ϵ , $d'(f(p), f(q)) < \epsilon$ can be achieved for all points $p, q \in E$ by ensuring $d(p, q) < \delta$. Hence, for a given ϵ , points x and $x + \frac{1}{n}$ are less than the distance δ apart when $|x - x - \frac{1}{n}| = \left| \frac{1}{n} \right| < \delta$ or $n > \frac{1}{\delta}$. Note that by the uniform cont. of the f_n , δ does not depend on the point. Then we can conclude that for $n > \frac{1}{\delta} = N$, $d'(f(x + \frac{1}{n}), f(x)) < \epsilon$. Since the metric of d' is by definition the distance between the maxima of the functions, which will be less than $\frac{1}{n}$ for all $f_n(x)$, $n > N$. Here we supposed $f(x + \frac{1}{n})$ converged to $f(x)$.

36) $x, x/2, x/3, x/4, \dots$ attains uniform convergence in $\mathbb{R}$?
 $\Rightarrow \{f_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} = \frac{x}{n}$. $f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{n} = 0$.

Choose an $\epsilon > 0$, find an N s.t. $|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon, \forall n > N$.
 $\Rightarrow \left| \frac{x}{n} - 0 \right| = \left| \frac{x}{n} \right| < \epsilon \Rightarrow N = \frac{x}{\epsilon}$. As N must depend on both x and ϵ , and since this shows f_n converges at different rates depending on x , it is not uniformly convergent.

37) Given the two uniformly convergent sequences of functions f_n and g_n , we know that for all $p \in E$ that when $n > N_1$, $d'(f_n, f) < \epsilon/2$ and $n > N_2$ ensures $d'(g_n, g) < \epsilon/2$. Take $N = \max \{N_1, N_2\}$. The assertion is that this N is sufficient to ensure $d'(f_n + g_n, f + g) < \epsilon$. $d'(f_n + g_n, f + g) = \max \{d(f_n + g_n, f + g) : p \in E\}$ where d is the usual metric of the reals and it is understood that it is relative to our choice of p . Then $\max \{d(f_n + g_n, f + g) : p \in E\} = \max \{|f_n + g_n - (f + g)| : p \in E\} = \max \{|f_n - f + g_n - g| : p \in E\} \leq \max \{|f_n - f| + |g_n - g| : p \in E\} = \max \{d(f_n, f) + d(g_n, g) : p \in E\} < \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 = \epsilon$ for $n > N$.

The product $f_n g_n$ will also converge uniformly given f_n, g_n too. For then $\max \{d(f_n g_n, fg) : p \in E\} = \max \{|f_n g_n - fg| : p \in E\} = \max \{|f_n g_n - f g_n + f g_n - fg| : p \in E\} = \max \{|(f_n - f) g_n + f(g_n - g)| : p \in E\} \leq \epsilon(\max(g) + \epsilon) + \max(f) \epsilon$, which can be made an arbitrarily small quantity.

38) E, E' metric spaces, $f_n : E \rightarrow E'$, f_n bounded, $\sum f_n$ $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is uniformly convergent.

To show: The limit function $f(x)$ is bounded.

Note: f_n bounded means that $f_n(E)$ is bounded; i.e. it can be contained in some ball s.t. $|f_n(x)| < M_n$, $M_n \in E'$.

Uniform convergence: for some $\epsilon > 0$, there is an integer N s.t. $d'(f_n(x), f(x)) < \epsilon$, $n > N$, all $x \in E$.

Proof: Since $f_n(x)$ is bounded, then for any $x \in E$ and $n > N$ with uniform convergence we can state the following:

$$d'(M_n, f(x)) < \epsilon,$$

although $f_n(x)$ may not attain this bound.

We then take $M = \max \{M_1, M_2, M_3, \dots\}$.

In order to maintain convergence:

$$d'(M, f(x)) < \epsilon.$$

However, since M is a constant, this places an upper bound on $f(x)$, the limit function. A similar argument can be made for a lower bound on $f(x)$, hence $f(x)$ is bounded. $\square$