

Midterm 1 Practice Problem set

1. Let $\{P_n\}$ be a sequence of real polynomials of degree $\leq d$, a fixed integer. Suppose that $P_n(x) \rightarrow 0$ pointwise for $0 \leq x \leq 1$. Prove that $P_n \rightarrow 0$ uniformly on $[0, 1]$.
2. For each positive integer n , define $f_n : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $f_n(x) = \cos nx$. Prove that the sequence of functions $\{f_n\}$ has no uniformly convergent subsequence.
3. Let $C^1[a, b]$ be the space of real-valued continuous functions f on $[0, 1]$ such that f' is continuous on $[0, 1]$, with the norm

$$\|f\| = \sup_{0 \leq x \leq 1} |f(x)| + \sup_{0 \leq x \leq 1} |f'(x)|.$$

Which subsets of $C^1[0, 1]$ are compact?

4. Let the functions $f_n : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$, $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ satisfy

$$|f_n(x) - f_n(y)| \leq |x - y| \quad \text{whenever} \quad |x - y| \geq \frac{1}{n}.$$

Prove that the sequence has a uniformly convergent subsequence.

5. (a) Give an example of a sequence of C^1 functions $f_k : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ such that $f_k(0) = 0$ for all k and $f'_k(x) \rightarrow f'_0(x)$ for all x as $k \rightarrow \infty$, but $f_k(x)$ does not converge to $f_0(x)$ for all x as $k \rightarrow \infty$.
(b) State an extra condition which would imply that $f_k(x) \rightarrow f_0(x)$ for all x as $k \rightarrow \infty$.
6. Define two sequences $\{f_n\}$ and $\{g_n\}$ as follows:

$$f_n(x) = x \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) \quad \text{for } x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$
$$g_n(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{n} & \text{if } x = 0 \text{ or } x \notin \mathbb{Q}, \\ b + \frac{1}{n} & \text{if } x = \frac{a}{b} \in \mathbb{Q}, \quad a \in \mathbb{Z}, b \in \mathbb{N}, \gcd(a, b) = 1. \end{cases}$$

Let $h_n(x) = f_n(x)g_n(x)$. Show that f_n and g_n converge uniformly on every finite interval, but that h_n fails to converge uniformly on every finite interval.

7. (a) If X is infinite, show that $B(X)$ is not separable.
(b) Is $C(\mathbb{R})$ separable?
8. Let $S[a, b]$ denote the space of all step functions on $[a, b]$. Show that $f \in \overline{S[a, b]}$ if and only if both these properties hold:
 - i. $f(x+)$ and $f(x-)$ exist at each x in (a, b) , and
 - ii. $f(a+)$ and $f(b-)$ exist.