

Math 508  
Problem set 7, due October 30, 2018  
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The material on this problem set comes from Chapter 4 in **The Way of Analysis**.

**You should do the following problems, but you do not need to hand in your solutions:**

1. Suppose that  $f$  and  $g$  are functions defined in  $[0, 1]$  that satisfy a Lipschitz condition: there are constants  $M_f, M_g$  so that for all  $x, y \in [0, 1]$   
(1)  $|f(x) - f(y)| \leq M_f|x - y|$  and  $|g(x) - g(y)| \leq M_g|x - y|$ .

Show that  $f + g$  satisfies the same kind of estimate, possibly with a different constant.

2. Let  $f : D \rightarrow E$  be a function, and let  $A, B \subset E$ . Show that

$$f^{-1}(A \cup B) = f^{-1}(A) \cup f^{-1}(B) \text{ and } f^{-1}(A \cap B) = f^{-1}(A) \cap f^{-1}(B).$$

**The following problems should be carefully written up and handed in:**

1. Suppose that  $f$  is a function defined on  $[0, 1]$  that satisfies

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq 5|x - y|^{\frac{1}{4}}.$$

Prove that  $f$  is continuous and give an explicit formula for  $\delta$  as a function of  $\epsilon$ .

2. Suppose that  $f$  is a uniformly continuous function defined on  $[0, 1] \cap \mathbb{Q}$ . Show that there is a unique continuous function  $F$  defined on  $[0, 1]$  so that

$$F(x) = f(x) \text{ for every } x \in [0, 1] \cap \mathbb{Q}.$$

Is this still true if we just assume that  $f$  is continuous, but not uniformly continuous. Why or why not?

3. Let  $f_1, \dots, f_n$  be continuous functions defined on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Show that the set

$$A = \{x : f_1(x) \geq 0, \dots, f_n(x) \geq 0\} \text{ is closed,}$$

and the set

$$B = \{x : f_1(x) > 0, \dots, f_n(x) > 0\} \text{ is open.}$$

4. Let  $f$  be a uniformly continuous function defined on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Show that there are positive constants  $C, M$  so that

$$|f(x)| \leq C + M|x|.$$

5. Show that if  $f$  and  $g$  are uniformly continuous *and* bounded on a domain  $D$ , then the function  $f \cdot g$  is as well. Give an example to show that this may be false if one of the functions is not bounded.

6. Suppose that  $a < b$  are finite and that  $f$  is a uniformly continuous function defined on  $(a, b)$ . Show that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x)$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow b^-} f(x)$  exist, and that  $f$  has an extension as a continuous function defined on  $[a, b]$ .
7. Suppose that  $f$  is a continuous function on a compact set  $K$ . Show that either there is an  $x \in K$  such that  $f(x) = 0$ , or there is a positive number  $c$  so that  $|f(x)| \geq c$  for all  $x \in K$ .