

## Problem Set 2

DUE: Thurs. Sept. 10 in class. [Late papers will be accepted (without penalty) until 1:00 PM Friday.]

Please carefully read Sections 5.1–5.5 and 5.7 in the Marsden-Hoffman text.

1. Prove the *Integral Intermediate Value Theorem*: If  $f$  is real and continuous on  $[a, b]$ , then there exists  $c \in (a, b)$  such that

$$\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx = f(c).$$

Also, give an example showing that such a  $c$  may not exist if  $f$  is not continuous.

2. [Like Marsden-Hoffman p. 316 #2] Determine which of the following function sequences of functions converge pointwise or uniformly:
  - a)  $f_n(x) = \frac{\sin x}{n}, x \in \mathbb{R}$
  - b)  $f_n(x) = \frac{1}{1+nx}, x \in [0, 1]$
  - c)  $f_n(x) = \frac{x}{1+nx^2}, x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

3. [Marsden-Hoffman p. 245 Ex. 4] Discuss the uniform convergence of  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/(x^2 + n^2)$ .

4. A continuous function is called *piecewise linear* if it consists only of straight line segments (see [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Piecewise\\_linear\\_function](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Piecewise_linear_function))

Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function. Show that given any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a piecewise linear function  $g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $|f(x) - g(x)| < \epsilon$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$ . In other words, any continuous function on  $[a, b]$  can be approximated “uniformly” by a piecewise linear function.

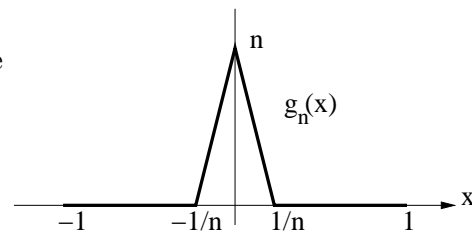
5. Give a proof or a counterexample for the following questions.
  - a) If  $f_n \rightarrow f$  and  $g_n \rightarrow g$  pointwise in  $C([0, 1])$ . is it true that  $f_n \cdot g_n \rightarrow f \cdot g$  pointwise?
  - b) If  $f_n \rightarrow f$  and  $g_n \rightarrow g$  uniformly in  $C([0, 1])$ , is it true that  $f_n \cdot g_n \rightarrow f \cdot g$  uniformly?
6. Let  $f \in C([0, \infty))$  be a continuous function with the property that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = c$ . Show that

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T f(x) dx = c.$$

7. Compute  $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 |\sin(\lambda x)| dx$ .

8. Let  $f(x)$  be continuous on the interval  $[-1, 1]$  and  $g_n(x)$  be the sequence of functions in the figure. Show that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-1}^1 f(x)g_n(x) dx = f(0).$$



SUGGESTION First do the case where  $f(x) \equiv 1$ .

### Bonus Problem

[Please give this directly to Professor Kazdan]

B-1 Let  $f(x)$  be a continuous function for  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ . Evaluate  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 n f(x) x^n dx$ .  
(Justify your assertions.)

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