

MATH 4062 – HOMEWORK 1

Note: The problems refer to the Rudin textbook. See below for hints

- **Chapter 7:** 2, 7

↪ I proved it

Note: For 2 you're allowed to use problem 1 (without proof)

Please **also** do the additional problems below.

Additional Problem 1: Consider the following sequence of functions f_n on $[0, 1]$, sometimes called the **growing steeple**

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Show that f_n converges pointwise to 0, but not uniformly to 0.

Additional Problem 2: Suppose $f_n : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a sequence of uniformly continuous functions and $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Show that f is uniformly continuous.

1. Prove that every uniformly convergent sequence of bounded functions is uniformly bounded.
2. If $\{f_n\}$ and $\{g_n\}$ converge uniformly on a set E , prove that $\{f_n + g_n\}$ converges uniformly on E . If, in addition, $\{f_n\}$ and $\{g_n\}$ are sequences of bounded functions, prove that $\{f_n g_n\}$ converges uniformly on E .

Proof of 1: Not required in Homework, but I proved it anyway.
 uniformly convergent sequence:

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \text{ for all } x, |f_n(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon \text{ when } n \geq N$$

$$\text{then } f_n(x) - \epsilon \leq f(x) \leq f_n(x) + \epsilon \text{ for all } x$$

we know that f_n is a bounded function,

then f is also a bounded function

denote $\|f\| < C$ ↓ I use this in the proof of question 2

$$\text{Then } \exists \epsilon = 1 \text{ s.t. } \exists N_0 \in \mathbb{N} \text{ for all } x, |f_n(x) - f(x)| < 1 \text{ when } n \geq N_0$$

$$\text{then for all } n \geq N_0, \|f_n\| < C + 1$$

We know that f_1, f_2, \dots, f_{N_0} is bounded,

$$\text{denote } \|f_i\| \leq M_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, N_0$$

$$\text{then take } M = \max \{M_1, M_2, \dots, M_{N_0}, C + 1\}$$

M is a uniform bound of $\{f_n\}$, thus $\{f_n\}$ is uniformly bounded.

Proof of 2 is on next page

2. If $\{f_n\}$ and $\{g_n\}$ converge uniformly on a set E , prove that $\{f_n + g_n\}$ converges uniformly on E . If, in addition, $\{f_n\}$ and $\{g_n\}$ are sequences of bounded functions, prove that $\{f_n g_n\}$ converges uniformly on E .

let f_n uniformly coverage to f and g_n uniformly coverage to g

① then $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists N_f \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}, n \geq N_f, \forall x \in E$
 $\exists N_g \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $|g_n(x) - g(x)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}, n \geq N_g, \forall x \in E$

$$\exists N = \max\{N_f, N_g\} \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\text{s.t. } |f_n(x) + g_n(x) - (f(x) + g(x))|$$

$$\leq |f_n(x) - f(x)| + |g_n(x) - g(x)| \leq \epsilon \quad n \geq N, \forall x \in E$$

which means $f_n + g_n$ converges uniformly on E (to $f + g$)

② by 1, we know that $\{f_n\}$ & $\{g_n\}$ are uniformly bounded

From the proof of 1, we also know that f and g are bounded as well
 take $M > 0$ s.t. $|f| < M, |g| < M$ and $|f_n| < M, |g_n| < M$ for all n

$\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists N_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $|f_n(x) - f(x)| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2M}$ for all x and $n > N_1$.
 $\exists N_2 \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $|g_n(x) - g(x)| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2M}$ for all x and $n > N_2$

$$\exists N = \max(N_1, N_2) \text{ s.t.}$$

$$|f_n g_n(x) - f g(x)| = |f_n(x) g_n(x) - f_n(x) g(x) + f_n(x) g(x) - f(x) g(x)|$$

$$\leq |f_n(x)| |g_n(x) - g(x)| + |g(x)| |f_n(x) - f(x)|$$

$$\leq M |g_n(x) - g(x)| + M |f_n(x) - f(x)|$$

$$\leq \epsilon \quad \text{for all } n > N \text{ and all } x$$

which means $f_n g_n$ converges uniformly on E . (to $f g$)

7. For $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, x real, put

$$f_n(x) = \frac{x}{1 + nx^2}.$$

Show that $\{f_n\}$ converges uniformly to a function f , and that the equation

$$f'(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f'_n(x)$$

is correct if $x \neq 0$, but false if $x = 0$.

① Fixed x , $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = 0$, so $f_n(x)$ converges pointwise to $f \equiv 0$

② In this part, we prove $\{f_n\}$ converges uniformly (yellow highlight part)

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \quad \exists N > \frac{1}{4\epsilon^2} \text{ st. } \forall n \geq N, \frac{1}{2n} \leq \frac{1}{2N} \leq 2\sqrt{\frac{1}{4\epsilon^2}} = \epsilon$$

Thus, we have

$$|f_n(x) - 0| = \left| \frac{x}{1 + nx^2} \right| = \left| \frac{1}{\frac{1}{x} + nx} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2\sqrt{n}} < \epsilon, \quad \forall n \geq N, \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$$

note: $\left| \frac{1}{\frac{1}{x} + nx} \right| = \frac{1}{\left| \frac{1}{x} + nx \right|}$

$$= \frac{1}{\left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{x}} \right)^2 + \left(\sqrt{nx} \right)^2} \geq \frac{1}{2\sqrt{n}}$$

note $a^2 + b^2 \geq 2ab$

thus $\left| \frac{1}{\frac{1}{x} + nx} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2\sqrt{n}}$

③ 1) $f(x) \equiv 0$, $f'(x) \equiv 0$

$$2) f'_n(x) = \frac{(1 - nx^2) - 2nx^2}{(1 - nx^2)^2} = \frac{1 - 3nx^2}{(1 - nx^2)^2}$$

when $x=0$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f'_n(x) = 1$

$$x \neq 0, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f'_n(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - 3nx^2}{n^2x^4 - 2nx^2 + 1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{n} - 3x^2}{nx^4 - 2x^2 + \frac{1}{n}} = 0$$

Thus, combine 1) and 2)

we conclude that $f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f'_n(x)$ when $x \neq 0$
but not equal when $x = 0$

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① Converges Pointwise:

\forall fixed x , $\forall \epsilon > 0$ by Archimedean Property, $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $\frac{2}{n} < x$

So by this n , $\frac{2}{n} \leq x \leq 1$, $f_n(x) = 0$, then,

$$|f_n(x) - 0| = |0 - 0| = 0 < \epsilon$$

which means it converges pointwise to 0 (by highlight part)

② not uniformly

$\exists \epsilon = \frac{1}{2}$, for $\forall N > 0$ $N \in \mathbb{N}$,

$\exists x = \frac{1}{N}$ s.t.

$$f_N\left(\frac{1}{N}\right) = 1 \quad \text{where} \quad |f_N(x) - 0| = 1 > \epsilon = \frac{1}{2}$$

which means it is not uniformly converges (by highlight part)

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$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \quad \exists n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } |f_n(x) - f(x)| < \frac{\epsilon}{3} \text{ for all } x$$

(Because $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly as $n \rightarrow \infty$)

For some n and ϵ

$$\exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t. } |f_n(x) - f_n(y)| < \frac{\epsilon}{3} \text{ for any } |x - y| < \delta$$

(Because fixed n , f_n is uniformly continuous)

Then:

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq |f(x) - f_n(x)| + |f_n(x) - f_n(y)| + |f_n(y) - f(y)|$$

$$\leq \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} = \epsilon \text{ when } |x - y| < \delta$$

By the yellow highlight part, we could conclude that f is uniformly continuous.