MATH 2050C Mathematical Analysis I 2019-20 Term 2

Hard problems in Chapter 5

5.1-4(c)

The range of $\sin x$ is [-1, 1]. So the values of $[\sin x]$ can be taken are -1, 0, 1. By solving $\sin x < 0$, $\sin x < 1$, $\sin x = -1$, $\sin x = 1$, we get

$$\llbracket \sin x \rrbracket = \begin{cases} 1, & x = 2\pi k + \frac{\pi}{2}, k \in \mathbb{Z} \\ 0, & x \in [2\pi k, \frac{\pi}{2} + 2\pi k) \cup (\frac{\pi}{2} + 2\pi k, \pi + 2\pi k], k \in \mathbb{Z} \\ -1, & x \in (2\pi k - \pi, 2\pi k), k \in \mathbb{Z} \end{cases}$$

So in the interior of those intervals, h(x) is continuous since h(x) is constant. But at the boundary point, such as $2\pi k$, $\frac{\pi}{2} + 2\pi k$, $2\pi k + \pi$, they are not continuous since it will take different intergers at any intervals containing those points. So the continuous points of h(x) are $(2\pi k - \pi, 2\pi k) \cup (2\pi k, \frac{\pi}{2} + 2\pi k) \cup (\frac{\pi}{2} + 2\pi k, \pi + 2\pi k), k \in \mathbb{Z}$.

5.1 - 9

(a). If f is continuous at $c \in A$, then for any $\epsilon > 0$, we can find $\delta > 0$, such that for any $x \in (c - \delta, c + \delta) \cap A$, we have

$$|f(x) - f(c)| < \epsilon$$

since $A \subset B$, we know for any $x \in (c - \delta, c + \delta) \cap B$, we still have

 $|f(x) - f(c)| < \epsilon$

And since f, g agrees on B, so we get

$$|g(x) - g(c)| < \epsilon$$

Hence, g is continuous at c.

(b). Choose f(x) as

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \ge 0\\ 0 & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

And we choose $A = \mathbb{R}$, $B = [0, +\infty)$. So on B, g is a constant function 1 and it is continuous at 0. But clearly, f(x) is not continuous at x = 0.

5.1 - 14

We proof that, given any open interval (a, b), the function k(x) is unbounded on this interval. This means for any M > 0, we need to find some $x_0 \in (a, b)$ such that $|k(x_0)| > M$. We note that there are only finite number of rationals with denominator less than M. (Note there are at most $\frac{b-a+1}{n}$ rationals with denominator equal to n.) So we can find a rational number $x_0 = \frac{p_0}{q_0}$ with $q_0 > M$ and p_0, q_0 have no common factor except 1. Hence we have $k(x_0) = q_0 > M$. So we get k(x) is not bounded on this interval.

5.2 - 9

Let's take arbitrary $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ first. We will show that for any $\epsilon > 0$, we have $|h(x_0)| < \epsilon$.

Indeed, for any $\epsilon > 0$, we can find $\delta > 0$ such that $|h(x) - h(x_0)| < \epsilon$ for any $|x - x_0| < \delta$ since h(x) is continuous at x_0 . We claim that we can find m, n such that $\frac{m}{2^n} \in (x_0 - \delta, x_0 + \delta)$. If so, we have $h(\frac{m}{2^n}) = 0$, and hence $|h(x_0)| = |h(x_0) - h(\frac{m}{2^n})| < \epsilon$ and we finish the proof.

Proof of claim. We first choose $2^n \ge 1 + n > \frac{1}{\delta}$, that is $\frac{1}{2^n} < \delta$ and consider the set $A = \{m \in \mathbb{Z} : \frac{m}{2^n} \le x_0 - \delta\}$. This set has an upper bound (i.e. $2^n(x_0 - \delta)$), so we can take $u = \sup A$. It can be easily showed that u is still an integer. (If not, the integer part of u is also an upper bound leading to a contradiction). Now we choose m = u + 1. Clearly $\frac{m}{2^n} > x_0 - \delta$ but we also note $u \in A$ (If not, then u - 1 will be an upper bound), we have $\frac{m-1}{2^n} \le x_0 - \delta \implies \frac{m}{2^n} \le x_0 - \delta + \frac{1}{2^n} < x_0 + \delta$. This means $\frac{m}{2^n} \in (x_0 - \delta, x_0 + \delta)$ and finish the proof of claim.

5.2 - 12

Note that f(0) = f(0) + f(0) which will imply f(0) = 0. And note that $f(x) = f(x - x_0) + f(x_0)$. So if we take $x \to x_0$, then we have $x - x_0 \to 0$. The right side $f(x) \to f(x_0)$ since f(x) is continuous at x_0 . Then for the right side, we will have $\lim_{x\to 0} f(x) + f(x_0)$. Combining this we get

$$\lim_{x \to 0} f(x) = 0$$

which indicates f(x) is continuous at x = 0. Again, for any $y_0 \in \mathbb{R}$, we have

$$f(x) = f(x - y_0) + f(y_0)$$

Then taking $x \to y_0$, we will get

$$\lim_{x \to y_0} f(x) = \lim_{x \to y_0} f(x - y_0) + f(y_0) = \lim_{x \to 0} f(x) + f(y_0) = 0 + f(y_0) = f(y_0)$$

This shows f is continuous at y_0 . Hence f is continuous at y_0 . Since y_0 is arbitrary, we get f is indeed continuous at every point of \mathbb{R} .

5.3-4

Given any polynomial p(x) of odd degree, without loss of generality, denote

$$p(x) := \sum_{i=0}^{2n+1} a_i x^i, \quad a_{2n+1} = 1, n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Also denote $M := \max\{|a_0|, \dots |a_{2n}|\}$. For $x > \max\{2nM + 1, 1\}$, we have

$$p(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{2n+1} a_i x^i$$

$$\geq x^{2n+1} - M(x^{2n} + \dots + x + 1)$$

$$\geq x^{2n+1} - 2nMx^{2n} \quad (x^k \geq x^l, \forall x \geq 1, k \leq l \in \mathbb{N})$$

$$= x^{2n}(x - 2nM)$$

$$> (2nM + 1)^{2n} > 0.$$

and similarly p(x) < 0 for $x < -\max\{2nM+1, 1\} = \min\{-2nM-1, -1\}$. Set $R_0 = \max\{2nM+1, 1\}$ so that $p(R_0)p(-R_0) < 0$. We deduce that there exists at least one real root for p(x) on $[-R_0, R_0]$ by Theorem 5.3.5.

5.3 - 15

For open intervals, there are three kind of intervals as following

- (a, b) with $a < b \le 0$.
- (a, b) with a < 0 < b.
- (a, b) with $0 \le a < b$.

For the first kind I = (a, b) with $a < b \le 0$, we have $f(I) = (b^2, a^2)$, which is an open intervals.

For the second kind I = (a, b), a < 0 < b, we have $f(I) = [0, \max\{a, b\}]$, which is closed.

For the third kind, I = (a, b), $0 \le a < b$, we have $F(I) = (a^2, b^2)$, which is an open intervals. So f(I) is an open intervals if and only if open intervals Iwhich does not contains 0.

For the closed intervals I, f(I) will always be a closed intervals by Theorem 5.3.9.

5.3 - 17

We proof the following claim first.

If $f : [0,1] \to \mathbb{R}$ is continuous and has two different values a, b with a < b, then f cannot has only rational (or irrational) values.

Indeed, suppose $f(x_1) = a, f(x_2) = b$, then for any $c \in (a, b)$, by Intermediate Value Theorem, we can find $x_0 \in [x_1, x_2]or[x_2, x_1]$ such that $f(x_0) = c$. By Density Theorem, we can always find a rational number in (a, b), and we can also find a irrational number in (a, b). So this means f has to take rational values and irrational values. So the claim is proofed.

So from this claim, we can see that if f is not a constant, f will take at least two different values and we can write these two values as a, b with a < b and hence f has to take both rational and irrational values.

Hence if f has only rational (irrational) values, f has to be a constant.

5.4 - 12

Since f is uniformly continuous on $[a, \infty)$, given $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta_1 > 0$ so that if $x, u \in [a, \infty)$ and $|x - u| < \delta_1$, then

$$|f(x) - f(u)| < \varepsilon.$$

Since f is continuous on [0, a + 1], f is uniformly continuous on [0, a + 1] by Theorem 5.4.3. Given $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta_2 > 0$ so that if $x, u \in [0, a + 1]$ and $|x - u| < \delta_2$, then

$$|f(x) - f(u)| < \varepsilon$$

Denote $\delta = \min\{\delta_1, \delta_2, 1\}$. Note that either $x, u \in [0, a + 1]$ or $x, u \in [a, \infty)$ for any $x, u \in [0, \infty)$ with $|x - u| < \delta$. Thus $|f(x) - f(u)| < \varepsilon$ in either case.

5.4 - 14

For any $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $x \in [k_x p, k_x p + p)$ for some $k_x \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $x - k_x p \in [0, p)$, since $\mathbb{R} = \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} [kp, kp + p)$. Denote $M = \sup\{|f(x)|, x \in [0, p]\}$. $M < \infty$ since f is continuous and bounded on [0, p]. We have

$$|f(x)| = |f(x - k_x p)| \le M, \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R},$$

where the periodicity of f is applied. We deduce that f is bounded on \mathbb{R} . To show the uniform continuity, first notice that f is uniformly continuous on [0, 2p]. Given $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta_0(\varepsilon) > 0$ so that if $x, u \in [0, 2p]$ satisfying $|x - u| < \delta_0$, then $|f(x) - f(u)| < \varepsilon$. Now we show the uniform continuity on \mathbb{R} . Given $\varepsilon > 0$, denote $\delta = \min\{p, \delta_0(\varepsilon)\}$. Without loss of generality, we assume $x \leq u$. For any $x, u \in \mathbb{R}$ satisfying $|x - u| < \delta$, there are two cases.

- (i) $u \in [k_x p, k_x p + p)$. Then $x k_x p, u k_x p \in [0, p]$ and $|(x k_x p) (u k_x p)| = |x u| < \delta$. Thus $|f(x) f(u)| = |f(x k_x p) f(u k_x p)| < \varepsilon$.
- (ii) $u \ge k_x p + p$. Then $u < x + \delta < k_x p + p + p < k_x p + 2p$. We have $x k_x p, u k_x p \in [0, 2p]$ and $|(x k_x p) (u k_x p)| = |x u| < \delta$. Thus $|f(x) f(u)| = |f(x k_x p) f(u k_x p)| < \varepsilon$.

Combine these two cases and we deduce that f is uniformly continuous on \mathbb{R} .