

1. Show that the uniform limit of a sequence of continuous functions is continuous. Let  $(f_n)$  be a seq of cts on  $X$  ( $\subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , or a topological space) such that  $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  satisfying  $|f_{n+1} - f_n| < \varepsilon \forall n \geq N, \forall x \in X$ .

Show that  $f$  is continuous at each  $x_0 \in X$ .

2. Let  $F = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n$ , disjoint closed sets  $F_1, \dots, F_n$ .

Let  $f: F \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be such that  $f|_{F_n}$  is cts,  $\forall n$ .

Show that  $f$  is cts.

3. Let  $F_n \subseteq (n, n+1]$  be closed ( $\mathbb{R} \setminus F_n$  open)  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and let  $F = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} F_n$ .

Show that  $f: F \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous if each  $f|_{F_n}$  is cts. (Can the condition

$F_n \subseteq (n, n+1]$  be weakened to  $F_n \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ ?)

4. Let  $G = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n$ , countable disjoint open intervals  $I_n$ , and let  $F: \mathbb{R} \setminus G$ . Let  $x < y < z$  with  $x, z \in F$  and  $y \in I_n := (a_n, b_n)$ . Show that  $a_n \in F$ ,  $b_n \in F$ ,  $x \leq a_n$ , and  $b_n \leq z$ .

5. Let  $G, I_n, F$  be as in Q4, and let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be such that  $f|_F$  and  $f|_{\overline{I_n}}$  be continuous,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  ( $\overline{I_n}$  denotes the closure of  $I_n$ ). Suppose further that the graph of  $f|_{\overline{I_n}}$  is a line-segment. Show that  $f$  is continuous (By symmetry, need only show that  $f$  is right-continuous at each  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ :  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^+} f(x) = f(x_0)$ , i.e.  $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0$  such that  $|f(x) - f(x_0)| < \varepsilon \forall x \in (x_0, x_0 + \delta)$ ).

This is evident if  $x_0 \in G$  (so  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $x_0 \in I_n$ ). We may hence assume that  $x_0 \in F$ , and there are three cases to consider:

$$(a) \exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t. } (x_0, x_0 + \delta) \subseteq F \text{ (so } [x_0, x_0 + \delta] \subseteq F)$$

$$(b) \exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t. } (x_0, x_0 + \delta) \subseteq G \text{ (so } (x_0, x_0 + \delta) \subseteq I_n \text{ for some } n)$$

$$(c) (x_0, x_0 + \delta) \text{ intersects } F \text{ and } G, \forall \delta > 0.$$

Hint: For case (a), you use the continuity of  $f|_F$ .

For case (b), you use the continuity of  $f|_{[x_0, x_0 + \delta]}$ .

For case (c), let  $\varepsilon > 0$ .  $\exists \delta_0 > 0$  such that  $|f(x) - f(x_0)| < \varepsilon \forall x \in F \cap [x_0, x_0 + \delta_0]$  as  $f|_F$  is continuous at  $x_0$ . By the assumption in case (c) and consider smaller  $\delta_0 > 0$  if necessary, we may assume that  $x_0 + \delta_0 \in F$ . Show that if  $x \in G \cap (x_0, x_0 + \delta_0)$ , then  $\exists!$   $n \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $x \in (a_n, b_n)$ . Since  $x_0, x_0 + \delta_0 \in F$ , one has (?)

$$x_0 \leq a_n < x < b_n \leq x_0 + \delta_0 \text{ and } a_n, b_n \in F,$$

$$|f(\cdot) - f(x_0)| < \varepsilon \text{ at } a_n, b_n \text{ \& so at } x.$$