

MATH2060B: Analysis II: Revision Exercise (2020)

1. Let f be a differentiable function on (a, b) . Show the followings:

(i) If f is unbounded, then so is f' . Does the converse hold?

Proof: Assume that f' is bounded. Fix $c \in (a, b)$. The Mean Value Theorem implies that for any $x \in (a, b)$, there exists an element ξ between x and c such that $f(x) = f(c) + f'(\xi)(x - c)$. This shows that $f(x)$ is bounded if f' is bounded.

The converse does not hold.

Example, consider $f(x) = \sin \frac{1}{x}$ for $x \in (0, 1)$.

(ii) If f' is bounded, then f^2 is uniformly continuous on (a, b) .

Proof: As f' is bounded, part (i) implies that f is bounded. Then the assertion is obtained by the Mean Value Theorem and the following equality immediately

$$|f^2(x) - f^2(y)| = |f(x) - f(y)||f(x) + f(y)|$$

for all $x, y \in (a, b)$.

2. Let $f(x) := \operatorname{sgn}(\sin \frac{1}{x})$ for $x \in [-1, 1] \setminus \{0\}$ and $f(0) = 0$. Is f a Riemann integrable function?

Proof: Notice that f is discontinuous at the points $\pm \frac{1}{n\pi}$ and $x = 0$. The result can be shown by the following statement at once:

"If a function $F : [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is only discontinuous on the set $\{\pm \frac{1}{n\pi}\} \cup \{0\}$, then F is integrable on $[-1, 1]$."

3. Let $f \in R[a, b]$. Show the followings.

(i) If f is continuous at some point $c \in [a, b]$ and $\int_a^b f^2 = 0$, then $f(c) = 0$.

(ii) For all $\varepsilon > 0$ there is a subinterval $[c, d]$ of $[a, b]$ such that the oscillation $\omega[c, d] < \varepsilon$ of f over $[c, d]$, where $\omega[c, d] := \{|f(x') - f(x'')| : x', x'' \in [c, d]\}$.

Proof (ii): Suppose that the part (ii) is not true. Hence, there is $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $\omega[c, d] \geq \varepsilon$ for any subinterval $[c, d]$. On the other hand, since $f \in R[a, b]$, there is a partition P on $[a, b]$ such that $\sum \omega_i(f, P)\Delta x_i < \frac{b-a}{2}\varepsilon$. Then by the hypothesis, we see that

$$0 < \varepsilon(b-a) \leq \sum \omega_i(f, P)\Delta x_i < \frac{b-a}{2}\varepsilon.$$

It leads to a contradiction.

4. Find $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 \frac{x^n}{1+x} dx$.

Proof: Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Notice that for all $a \in (0, 1)$, we have $\frac{x^n}{1+x} \leq \frac{1}{1+x}$ for all $x \in [0, a]$ and for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Therefore, for all $\varepsilon > 0$, we can choose $a \in (0, 1)$ such that $\int_a^1 \frac{x^n}{1+x} dx \leq (1-a) < \varepsilon$ for all n . On the other hand, we have $\int_0^a \frac{x^n}{1+x} dx \leq a^n \ln(1+a)$ for all n . Thus, there is $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$\int_0^1 \frac{x^n}{1+x} dx \leq \left(\int_0^a + \int_a^1 \right) \frac{x^n}{1+x} dx < 2\varepsilon$$

for all $n \geq N$.

5. Let $f_n(x) = \frac{x}{1+n^2x^2}$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Do the sequences (f_n) and (f'_n) converge uniformly on \mathbb{R} ?

Claim 1: (f_n) converges uniformly on \mathbb{R} . Notice that $|f_n(x)| \leq \frac{1}{2n}$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Therefore the sequence (f_n) converges uniformly to 0 on \mathbb{R} .

Claim 2: (f'_n) does not converge uniformly on \mathbb{R} . In fact, we see that $f'_n(x) = \frac{1-n^2x^2}{1+n^2x^2}$. On the other hand, we have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f'_n(x) = 0$ for $x \neq 0$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f'_n(0) = 1$. Thus the pointwise limit function of f'_n is discontinuous at $x = 0$. Therefore, (f'_n) does not converge uniformly on \mathbb{R} since f'_n is continuous on \mathbb{R} for each n .

6. Let $f_n(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k+1} \frac{\sin kx}{k}$. Does (f_n) converge uniformly on \mathbb{R} ? (Remark: this example was due to Cauchy which was restated in Abel's note).

7. Determine the following series whether converges uniformly on its domain.

(i) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n (1-x)x^n$, for $x \in [0, 1]$.

Proof: Yes. Reason: Note that the convergence radius of the series $\sum (-1)^n x^n$ is 1 and is convergent at $x = 1$. Then by the Abel Theorem (see the note), the series $\sum (-1)^n x^n$ is uniformly convergent on $[0, 1]$. Thus, the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n (1-x)x^n = (1-x) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^n$ converges uniformly on $[0, 1]$.

(ii) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1-x)x^n$, for $x \in [0, 1]$.

Proof: No. Reason: Let $s_n(x)$ be the n -th partial sum of the series. Then for each positive integer N , we see that $s_{2N+3}(x) - s_N(x) = x^{N+1} - x^{2N+2}$. In this case, we let $x_N = (1/2)^{1/(N+1)} \in [0, 1]$. Then $s_{2N+3}(x_N) - s_N(x_N) = 1/4$. Then by the Cauchy Theorem, the series does not converge uniformly on $[0, 1]$.

(iii) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x}{1+n^4x^2}$, for $x \in [0, \infty)$.

Proof Yes. Note that $0 \leq \frac{x}{1+n^4x^2} \leq 1/(2n^2)$ for all $x \geq 0$ and for all n . Then the result is obtained by the M -test.

8. Find the convergence domain of the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2n-1} \left(\frac{1-x}{1+x}\right)^n$.

Proof: Answer: The convergence domain is $[0, \infty)$. Reason: Put $y := \frac{(-1)^n}{2n-1} \left(\frac{1-x}{1+x}\right)^n$. Note that the convergence domain of the power series of $\sum \frac{(-1)^n}{2n-1} y^n$ is $(-1, 1]$. Note that $-1 < y \leq 1$ if and only if $x \geq 1$. The proof is finished.