

MATH 450A Final Exam Review Problems

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1. Prove using Axioms of Real Numbers:

(a) $0a = 0$.

(c) $(-a)(-b) = ab$.

(b) $(-1)a = -a$,

(d) $1 > 0$

Indicate which of the axioms is used in each step.

2. (a) Prove that if $a > 1$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$ then $a^n \geq 1 + n(a - 1)$.

(b) Prove that if $a > 1$ then $a^n \rightarrow \infty$, and if $0 < b < 1$ then $b^n \rightarrow 0$.

3. (a) Given $n \in \mathbb{N}$, prove that $\sup\{x^n : 0 < x < 1\} = 1$ and $\inf\{x^n : 0 < x < 1\} = 0$.

(b) Find the supremum of the set $S = \{s_n : s_n = \sum_{j=1}^n (1/2^j), n \in \mathbb{N}\}$. Give a proof.

4. If A, B are nonempty subsets of $\mathbb{R}$ such that $\forall x \in A \forall y \in B \ x \leq y$, prove that $\sup A = \inf B$ if and only if $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists x_\varepsilon \in A \exists y_\varepsilon \in B$ such that $y_\varepsilon - x_\varepsilon < \varepsilon$.

5. Given $\varepsilon > 0$ find δ in the definition of limit: $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$,

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{x+1}, \quad a = 3, \quad L = 3/4.$$

6. (a) Prove that the function $f : x \mapsto \sqrt{x}$ is uniformly continuous on $[0, \infty)$.

(b) Prove that $f : x \mapsto x^{1.01}$ is not uniformly continuous on $[1, \infty)$.

7. Determine whether or not the function is continuous at the given value a . If it is not continuous decide whether or not the function is continuous on the left or on the right.

(a) $f(x) = x(1 + 1/x^2)^{1/2}$, $x \neq 0$, $f(0) = 1$, $a = 0$.

(b) $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{\frac{1}{x-1}}}$, $x \neq 1$, $f(1) = 1$, $a = 1$.

8. Consider the sequence

$$x_n = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j!}.$$

Give *five* different proofs to show that x_n is convergent.

9. If $x_n \in (a, b)$ is Cauchy, $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is uniformly continuous, prove that $f(x_n)$ is Cauchy.

10. Find all real α such that

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^\alpha \cos \frac{\pi}{x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

is differentiable at 0.

11. (a) Give an example of a function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that f is not differentiable at any $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$, however f^2 is differentiable at every $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$.
 (b) Give an example of a function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that f and f^2 are not differentiable at $x = 0$, however f^3 is differentiable at every $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$.
12. Suppose that f is integrable on $I = [a, b]$ and that $0 < m \leq f(x) \leq M$ for $x \in I$. Prove that $\int_a^b (1/f(x)) dx$ exists.
13. Suppose that f is continuous on $I = [a, b]$. Prove that for any partition P of $[a, b]$ there exists a Riemann sum corresponding to this partition such that the value of the sum is *equal* the value of the integral $\int_a^b f(x) dx$.
14. Suppose that f is continuous on $I = [a, b]$ and that $\int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx = 0$ for every function g continuous on I . Prove that $f(x) = 0$ on I . Does the statement remain true if f is only assumed to be integrable?
15. Using that $\sin'(x) = \cos(x)$, $\cos'(x) = -\sin(x)$ show that

$$\operatorname{arccot}'(x) = \frac{-1}{1+x^2}.$$

16. Show that the sequence $f_n : x \mapsto x^n$ converges for each $x \in [0, 1]$ but the convergence is not uniform.
17. Determine all x for which the series converge:

$$(a) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(3/2)^n x^n}{n+1} \qquad (b) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n \log^2 n} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^n \qquad (c) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n! x^n}{n^{n+1}}.$$

18. For the function $f(x) = \ln(1+x)$ find the Taylor polynomial $p_n(x) = p_n(x; x_0)$ of order n about $x_0 = 0$. If

$$f(x) = p_n(x) + R_n(x),$$

show that $|R_n(x)| \leq |x|^n |f(x)|$ for $-1 < x < 1$. Deduce that the Taylor series for the function f at 0 converges to f uniformly on every interval $[-h, h]$ with $0 < h < 1$.

19. In each of the examples below find the Taylor series about $a = 0$ and prove that it converges to $f(x)$ (a) pointwise on $(-\infty, \infty)$; (b) uniformly on $[-M, M]$, with $M > 0$.

$$(a) f(x) = \sin x, \qquad (b) f(x) = \cos x, \qquad (c) f(x) = e^x,$$

20. Suppose f and f' are continuous in an interval I containing 0. Prove that for any a in I

$$|f(0)| \leq \frac{1}{a} \int_0^a |f(x)| dx + \int_0^a |f'(x)| dx.$$