

# Real Analysis Qualifying Examination—Math 825/826

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- **Work 5 out of 6 problems.** • Each problem is worth 20 points, but different parts do not necessarily have the same weight. • Write on one side of the paper only and hand your work in order. • Write your exam ID Code on every paper.
  - $\mathbb{R}$  denotes the real numbers, and  $\mathbb{Q}$  denotes the rational numbers.
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(1) (a) Use the definition of derivative to prove that if  $f$  and  $g$  are differentiable at a point  $x$ , then  $f \cdot g$  is differentiable at  $x$ .

(b) Use the definition of the Riemann integral to prove that if  $f$  is bounded on  $[a, b]$  and is continuous everywhere except for finitely many points in  $(a, b)$ , then  $f$  is Riemann integrable on  $[a, b]$ .

(Note: no points will be given for citing direct references to both results.)

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(2) (a) Give an  $\epsilon$ - $\delta$  proof that the function  $f(x) = \frac{x+2}{x^2-x}$  is continuous on the open interval  $(0, 1)$ .

(b) Does the improper Riemann integral  $\int_0^1 \frac{\sin x}{x^{3/2}} dx$  exist? Prove your assertion.

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(3) (a) Let  $(a_n)_{n=1}^\infty$  be a sequence of real numbers such that  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty a_n$  **converges conditionally**. Let  $p_1, p_2, \dots$  denote the positive terms of  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty a_n$  in the same order in which they occur; similarly let  $q_1, q_2, \dots$  denote the negative terms of  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty a_n$  in the same order in which they occur. Use the definition of convergent series to show that both  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty p_n$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty q_n$  diverge.

(b) If the series  $\sum_{n=0}^\infty a_n$  converges conditionally, show that the radius of convergence of the power series  $\sum_{n=0}^\infty a_n x^n$  is 1.

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(4) (a) Prove or disprove: The sequence of functions  $f_n(x) = x(1-x)^n$  converges uniformly on  $[0, 1]$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

(b) Let  $g_n(x) = x^n(1-x^n)$  and  $\mathbb{F} := \{g_n : n = 1, 2, \dots\}$ . Is  $\mathbb{F}$  equicontinuous on  $[0, 1]$ ? Prove your assertion.

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(5) (a) Suppose  $f \in C[0, 1]$  and  $\int_0^1 f(x)x^n dx = 0$  for all  $n = 99, 100, 101, \dots$ . Show that  $f \equiv 0$ .

(b) Let  $S \subset \mathbb{R}$  be uncountable. Show that there is an  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$  such that every neighborhood of  $x_0$  has uncountably many points of  $S$ .

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(6) (a) A function is of bounded variation on  $[a, b]$  if there is a number  $K$  such that for every partition

$a = a_0 < a_1 < \dots < a_n = b$  of  $[a, b]$ ,  $\sum_{j=1}^n |f(a_j) - f(a_{j-1})| \leq K$ . Let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \text{ or if } x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q} \\ 1 & \text{if } x \in \mathbb{Q}. \end{cases}$$

Show that  $f$  is NOT of bounded variation on  $[0, 1]$ .

(b) Let

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \text{ or if } x \in [0, 1] \setminus \mathbb{Q} \\ \frac{1}{q} & \text{if } x = \frac{p}{q} \in [0, 1] \cap \mathbb{Q} \text{ in lowest terms.} \end{cases}$$

(To say that  $x = \frac{p}{q}$  in lowest terms means that  $p$  and  $q$  are positive integers with no common factors.)

Show that  $g$  is continuous at every irrational of  $[0, 1]$ .

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