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Problem 1.

- (a) Define what it means for a function defined on $(0, 1)$ to be continuous and to be uniformly continuous on $(0, 1)$.
- (b) Prove that if $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence of points in $(0, 1)$ and f is uniformly continuous on $(0, 1)$ then $\{f(x_n)\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. Make sure to include the definition of Cauchy sequence.
- (c) Give an example that shows that the result in part b) is false if we only assume that f is continuous and explain briefly.
- (d) Define what it means for a function defined on $(0, 1)$ to be absolutely continuous on $(0, 1)$ (any equivalent definition is acceptable).
- (e) Give an example of a function that is uniformly continuous on $(0, 1)$ but not absolutely continuous on $(0, 1)$, and explain briefly.

Problem 2.

- (a) Explain from basic definitions how we know that a compact set in \mathbb{R}^n must be closed and bounded (note that this is the easier direction of the Heine-Borel Theorem). Your answer should include a definition of compact and a definition of closed.
- (b) Suppose that K is a compact subset of \mathbb{R}^n , $f : K \rightarrow K$ is continuous on K and $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence of points in K with the property that $|f(x_n) - x_n| < \frac{1}{n}$. Show that there exists a point $x \in K$ such that $f(x) = x$. Make it clear what results about compact sets you are using in your argument.
- (c) Is the continuous image of every closed set closed (i.e. is it true that if $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ and $F \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is closed then $f(F)$ is closed)? Explain briefly.
- (d) Is the continuous image of every compact set compact? Explain briefly.

Problem 3.

- (a) Outline briefly the construction of Lebesgue measure on the real line. For example we might want to first define it for open and closed bounded sets.
- (b) Outline the construction of a set which has measure 1 on $[0, 1]$ but is meager on $[0, 1]$. Include a definition of meager.
- (c) Give an example to show that it is not true that if $A \subset [0, 1]$ is measurable, then for any $\epsilon > 0$ there is a finite collection of intervals I_1, I_2, \dots, I_n such that $A \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n I_i$ and

$$\lambda((\bigcup_{i=1}^n I_i) \setminus A) < \epsilon.$$

- (d) Despite your example to part (c) it is true that every measurable set “can be approximated” by a finite union of intervals in some sense. State a theorem about this and outline a proof.

Problem 4.

- (a) Let $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be bounded, measurable and positive, and let E be a bounded measurable subset of \mathbb{R}^n . Outline how we define the Lebesgue integral $\int_E f$. Make it clear where we are using the fact that f is a measurable function.
- (b) Give an example of a sequence of measurable functions $f_n : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that the f_n converge to a function f pointwise on $[0, 1]$ but $\int_{[0,1]} f_n$ does not converge to $\int_{[0,1]} f$.
- (c) Discuss and explain the dominated convergence theorem. Your example in part b) must not satisfy all the conditions (or else the integrals would have converged correctly). Discuss this briefly.
- (d) Illustrate that the dominated convergence theorem does not work for Riemann integration by giving an example in which all the conditions are satisfied and yet $\int_{[0,1]} f$ does not exist.

Problem 5.

- (a) Give a concise construction of the field of complex numbers \mathbb{C} (in particular, your answer should explain why the resulting algebraic structure is indeed a field).
- (b) Explain the operations of addition and multiplication of complex numbers from a geometric point of view.
- (c) How do you extend the usual real function $f(x) = \sin(x)$ to a complex function $f(z) = \sin(z)$? How do you know that the resulting function is differentiable?
- (d) How would you compute $\sin(i)$?
- (e) Find all z such that $\sin(z) = i$. Do it in two different ways: using a purely real-variable approach (work separately with the real and the imaginary parts), and then using a complex variable approach (i.e., inverse functions). Make sure to get the same answer.

Problem 6.

- (a) Give a definition of what it means for a function $f(z)$ of a complex variable to be differentiable at a point z_0 . Explain why differentiability is equivalent to linearizability of $f(z)$.
- (b) Explain what the Cauchy-Riemann equations are.
- (c) Find the derivative of a function $f(z) = z^2 + 6z$ at a point z_0 directly from the definition and by using the Cauchy-Riemann equations, then match your answers.
- (d) Describe geometrically the local structure of the map $f(z) = z^2 + 6z$ at the point $z_0 = 3i$.
- (e) Where is the map $f(z) = z^2 + 6z$ not conformal? What is the geometric structure of $f(z)$ at those points?

Problem 7. Consider the function $f(z) = \frac{2z+3}{z^2+4}$ and the mapping $w = f(z)$ given by this function (extended to the Riemann sphere \mathbb{CP}^1).

- (a) What is the degree of this map? How many preimages would a typical point $w \in \mathbb{CP}^1$ have?
- (b) Find all images of $z = \infty$. Find all preimages of $w = \infty$.
- (c) What are the points w that have fewer preimages than generic points? What is happening there?

Problem 8.

- (a) *State Cauchy's Integral Theorem and Cauchy's Integral Formula. Give a sketch of a proof for both (this can be informal, just try to explain the main ideas).*
- (b) *Use Cauchy's Integral Formula to evaluate*

$$\oint_C \frac{z-1}{(z^2+1)(z+1)^2} dz,$$

where C is a circle centered at $1+i$ and passing through the origin (oriented counter-clockwise).

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Problem 1.

- (a) State (without proof) three equivalent ways to describe compactness of subsets of the Euclidean plane.
- (b) Prove that two of these descriptions are equivalent. (You may choose which two.)
- (c) Prove that the Cartesian product $K_1 \times K_2$ of two compact subsets $K_1, K_2 \subset \mathbb{R}$ is a compact subset of the plane.

Problem 2. Let D be a subset of the Euclidean plane..

- (a) Explain what it means for D to be connected; arcwise connected.
- (b) Prove that if D is arcwise connected, then it is connected.
- (c) Prove that if D is open, then the converse statement is also true.
- (d) Give an example of D that is connected but not arcwise connected.

Problem 3.

- (a) Define the following concepts, paying especial attention to the dependence/independence of your quantified variables:
 - uniform continuity of a function f ;
 - uniform convergence of a sequence of functions $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{unif}} f$.
- (b) Prove, or disprove by giving a counter-example: if $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are both uniformly continuous maps, then the composite function $f \circ g$ is uniformly continuous.
- (c) Prove, or disprove by giving a counter-example: if $f_n : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g_n : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are functions that converge uniformly to limit functions f and g respectively as $n \rightarrow \infty$, and if f is uniformly continuous, then the composite functions $f_n \circ g_n$ converge uniformly to $f \circ g$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. (Do not assume that f_n or g_n are necessarily continuous.)

Problem 4. State and prove the Intermediate Value Theorem for a real-valued function f whose domain is a subset of the real line.

Problem 5.

- (a) List the axioms that define a σ -algebra.
- (b) Define the Borel σ -algebra.
- (c) Prove that every Lebesgue-measurable subset M of the real line is contained in a Borel set B such that $B \setminus M$ has measure zero. (Make sure to define what it means for a subset of the real line to have Lebesgue measure zero).

Problem 6. Outline the steps in the construction of a fat Cantor set: a closed subset $K \subset [0, 1]$ with no interior points that has positive Lebesgue measure.

Problem 7.

- (a) Give a concise construction of the field of complex numbers \mathbb{C} (in particular, your answer should explain why the resulting algebraic structure is indeed a field).
- (b) Explain, in some detail, why the multiplication by a complex number z with $|z| = 1$ corresponds geometrically to a rotation of the complex plane.
- (c) Explain the meaning of 2^i . In particular, how many points on the complex plane does this expression describe? What about i^2 ?
- (d) Solve the equation $z^3 = i$ using both the complex analysis approach and the real variables approach (and make sure to explain why you get the same answers).

Problem 8.

- (a) Give a definition of what it means for a function $f(z)$ of a complex variable to be differentiable at a point z_0 .
- (b) Explain what the Cauchy-Riemann equations are.
- (c) Carefully prove that the Cauchy-Riemann equations give a necessary and sufficient condition for the differentiability of $f(z)$.
- (d) Find the derivative of a function $f(z) = z^3$ at a point $z_0 \neq 0$ directly from the definition and by using the Cauchy-Riemann equations, then match your answers.

Problem 9. Consider the function $f(z) = z^2 - 2z$ and the mapping $w = f(z)$ given by this function (extended to the Riemann sphere).

- (a) Describe all points at which the mapping given by $f(z)$ is conformal.
- (b) What happens at the points where $f(z)$ is not conformal?
- (c) Which part of the complex plane is shrunk and which part is stretched under this mapping?
- (d) Find the angle of rotation and the local magnification factor of this mapping at the point $z = i$.
- (e) How many pre-images would a typical point on the w -plane have (give an example)? Which points are exceptional in that respect?

Problem 10.

- (a) Prove that, if f is continuous in a neighborhood of the origin $z = 0$, $\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \int_0^{2\pi} f(re^{i\theta}) d\theta = 2\pi f(0)$.
- (b) Let $C_r(a)$ denote the positively-oriented circle of radius r centered at a . Using the Cauchy Integral Formula, evaluate the following integrals.

$$\oint_{C_3(i)} \frac{1}{z^2 + 9} dz \quad \text{and} \quad \oint_{C_3(i)} \frac{1}{(z^2 + 9)^2} dz$$

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Problem 1. State two or more equivalent characterizations of compactness of a set $K \subset \mathbb{R}$ and prove that two such characterizations are indeed equivalent.

Problem 2. For each of the following, either give a specific example, or tell why no example can exist. (Assume that f is a real-valued function.)

- (a) A function f that is continuous, but not uniformly continuous on the interval $[0, 1]$.
- (b) A function f that is continuous on the interval $[0, 1]$, and $f(r) \leq 1$ for all rational numbers $r \in [0, 1]$, but $\sup_{x \in [0, 1]} f(x) > 1$.
- (c) A continuous function f mapping $(-1, 1)$ **onto** $(-1, 0) \cup (0, 1)$. (Remark: A function f maps a set E onto a set F provided that $f(E) = F$.)

True or False (Justify your claim or provide a counterexample)

- (d) If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a continuous function from a metric space X to a metric space Y and $K \subseteq Y$ is compact, then $f^{-1}(K) \subseteq X$ is compact.
- (e) If f is a continuous real-valued function on $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ and (x_n) is a sequence in X such that $f(x_n)$ converges, then (x_n) converge.

Problem 3. Let $C \subset [0, 1]$ denote the standard middle-thirds Cantor set.

- (a) Provide a short description of the construction of C .
- (b) Is C closed or not closed? Justify your answer.
- (c) Is C countable or uncountable? Justify your answer.
- (d) Does C contain any intervals of positive length? Justify your answer.
- (e) Is the complement of C a dense subset of $[0, 1]$ or not dense? Justify your answer.

Problem 4. State the axioms that define an abstract measure space (X, \mathfrak{M}, μ) where $\mathfrak{M} \subset 2^X$. Be sure to give a detailed description of the axiomatic properties that must be satisfied by the σ -algebra denoted as \mathfrak{M} .

Problem 5.

- (a) What is the definition of a Lebesgue measurable function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$?
- (b) Prove that the point-wise limit of every monotone increasing sequence of such measurable functions is another measurable function; that is, if each function

$$f_1(x) \leq f_2(x) \leq \dots \leq f_n(x) \leq f_{n+1}(x) \leq \dots$$

is measurable and takes values in $[0, \infty]$, then $f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x)$ is also measurable.

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Problem 1. Give a definition of a connected set (if you prefer, you can assume that your sets are subset of the complex plane). Prove that if A and B are connected and $A \cap B \neq \emptyset$, then $A \cup B$ is connected. What about $A \cap B$?

Problem 2.

- (a) Give a definition of what it means for a function $f(z)$ of a complex variable to be differentiable at a point z_0 .
- (b) Explain what the Cauchy-Riemann equations are.
- (c) Carefully prove that the Cauchy-Riemann equations give a necessary and sufficient condition for the differentiability of $f(z)$.
- (d) Find the derivative of a function $f(z) = z^{-1}$ at a point $z_0 \neq 0$ directly from the definition and by using the Cauchy-Riemann equations, then match your answers.
- (e) Write down the Cauchy-Riemann equations using the polar coordinates in the domain of f .
- (f) Can you use the polar form of the Cauchy-Riemann equations to find the derivative of the distance function $f(z) = |z|^2 = r^2$?

Problem 3.

- (a) Discuss the phenomena of multi-valuedness for functions of a complex variable. Why is it necessary? How do we work with it? How is this situation different from the real-variable case?
- (b) Find all values of the following:
 - $(1 - i)^{1+i}$;
 - $2^{\sqrt{3}}$;
 - $i^{2/3}$ (how many distinct values are there? Can you sketch them on the complex plane?)

Problem 4.

- (a) Explain the notion of a conformal map.
- (b) Consider the function $f(z) = z^2$ on the Riemann Sphere \mathbb{CP}^1 . Show that this function defines a conformal map at the point $z = i$. Describe the local structure of this map.
- (c) What are the points where $f(z)$ fails to be conformal? What happens at those point?

Problem 5.

- (a) Explain what are Linear Fractional Transformations and show that they form a group.
- (b) Explicitly describe the subgroup of this group consisting of LFTs that permute the points 0 , i , and ∞ .
- (c) Explicitly verify that composition and inverse operations for some elements of this group (one non-trivial example of each).

Problem 6. Let $f(z)$ be a continuous (but not necessarily analytic) function defined in the neighborhood of $z = 0$ and let C_r be a circle of radius r around the origin in the complex plane. Carefully prove that

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \oint_{C_r} f(z) dz = f(0).$$

Problem 7.

(a) Find all roots of the polynomial $p(z) = z^4 + 4z^2 + 1$ and sketch their locations in the complex plane.

(b) Evaluate

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{x^4 + 4x^2 + 1}$$

using the Cauchy Integral Theorem. Briefly, but carefully, justify the main steps in your reasoning.