

University of Colorado Denver — Dept. Math. & Stat. Sciences

Applied Analysis Preliminary Exam

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The proctor will let you read the following conditions before the exam begins, and you will have time for questions. Once the exam begins, you will have 4 hours to do your best. This is a closed book exam. Please put your name on each sheet of paper that you turn in.

**Exam conditions:**

- Submit as many solutions as you can. All solutions will be graded and your final grade will be based on your six best solutions.
- Each problem is worth 20 points; parts of problems have equal value unless noted otherwise.
- Justify your solutions: cite theorems that you use, provide counter-examples for disproof, give explanations, and show calculations for numerical problems.
- If you are asked to prove a theorem, do not merely quote that theorem as your proof; instead, produce an independent proof.
- Ask the proctor if you have any questions.

Good luck!

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1. Let  $\mathbb{R}^* = \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty, +\infty\}$ . Define  $f: \mathbb{R}^* \rightarrow [-1, +1]$  by

$$f: x \mapsto \begin{cases} -1, & \text{if } x = -\infty; \\ \frac{x}{1+|x|}, & \text{if } x \in \mathbb{R}; \\ +1, & \text{if } x = +\infty. \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

(i) (6 points) Show that  $f$  maps  $\mathbb{R}^*$  onto  $[-1, +1]$  and is strictly increasing, so it maps  $\mathbb{R}^*$  in a one-to-one fashion.

(ii) (6 points) Define a function  $d: \mathbb{R}^* \times \mathbb{R}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}: (x, y) \mapsto |f(x) - f(y)|$ , where  $f$  is defined by Eq. 1. Show that  $d$  is a metric on  $\mathbb{R}^*$ , so that  $(\mathbb{R}^*, d)$  is a metric space.

(iii) (8 points) Show that both  $(-2, +\infty)$  and  $(-2, +\infty]$  are open balls in the metric space  $(\mathbb{R}^*, d)$ .

2. Let  $(X, d)$  be a compact metric space. Let  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be continuous. Show that  $f$  is uniformly continuous on  $X$ .

3. Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $f: X \rightarrow X$  a function on  $X$ .

(i) (5 points) Define what it means for  $f$  to be a contraction.

(ii) (15 points) State and Prove the Contraction Mapping Theorem.

4. (i) (10 points) Suppose that  $\{f_n\}$  is a sequence of continuous functions on  $[a, b]$  for which  $\{f_n\}$  converges uniformly to the function  $f$ . Show that  $\int_a^b f$  exists and that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\int_a^b f_n) = \int_a^b f$ , i.e.,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\int_a^b f_n) = \int_a^b (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n)$ .

(ii) (10 points) Give an example of a sequence  $\{f_n\}$  of real-valued functions defined on some closed, bounded interval  $[a, b]$  such that  $\int_a^b f_n$  exists for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that  $\{f_n\} \rightarrow f$  pointwise on  $[a, b]$ , and such that  $\int_a^b f$  exists, but  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\int_a^b f_n) \neq \int_a^b (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n)$ .

5. This problem has two parts.

(i) (10 points) State Taylor's Theorem for real-valued functions of several variables, giving the version that uses multinomial coefficients.

(ii) (10 points) **Illustrate its use** to write  $f(x, y) = x^2y + x^3 + y^3$  as a polynomial in  $(x-1)$  and  $(y+1)$  by computing its Taylor expansion about the point  $\mathbf{c} = (1, -1)$ .

6. Define a function  $\overline{F}: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  by

$$\overline{F}: \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} x_1x_3 + 2x_2x_3 + 4 \\ x_1^2x_3 + x_1x_2 + 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(i) (4 points) It should be clear that  $\overline{F}$  is differentiable on all of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Compute the Jacobian  $J_{\overline{F}}$ .

- (ii) (4 points) Let  $\bar{p}_0 = (2, -3, 1)$ . Check to see that  $\bar{F}(\bar{p}_0) = \bar{0}$  and evaluate  $J_{\bar{F}}(\bar{p}_0)$ .
- (iii) (4 points) Name the theorem (Call it Theorem A) that guarantees that some pairs of variables from  $\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$  can be written as functions of the third variable. List these pairs.
- (iv) (8 points) Choose one of the pairs you selected in part (iii). If  $i, j, k$  are 1, 2, 3 in some order, suppose that you pick  $x_i$  and  $x_j$  to write as a function of  $x_k$ . Then Theorem A says that there is a differentiable function  $\bar{G}$  that gives  $x_i$  and  $x_j$  as functions of  $x_k$ . Compute the Jacobian matrix for  $\bar{G}$  at the special value of  $x_k$  determined by the original point  $\bar{p}_0$ . Now do this for all the other special pair(s) you selected in part (iii).

7. This problem has three parts.

- (i) (5 points) Suppose that  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0$  and  $f'(x)$  exists in a deleted neighborhood of  $x_0$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f'(x) = L \in \mathbb{R}$ . Show that  $f'(x_0)$  exists and  $f'(x)$  is continuous at  $x_0$ .
- (ii) (5 points) For each integer  $n \geq 0$  show that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}}}{x^n} = 0$ .
- (iii) (10 points) Define

$$f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}: x \mapsto \begin{cases} e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}}, & \text{if } x \neq 0; \\ 0, & \text{if } x = 0. \end{cases}$$

Show that  $f$  is infinitely differentiable on  $\mathbb{R}$  and that  $f^{(n)}(0) = 0$  for all  $n \geq 0$ . Use this to show that there is no power series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$  such that

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$$

for all  $x$  in some interval  $(-r, r)$  for  $r > 0$ .

8. Prove the following:

- (i) (6 points) If  $p > 1$  and  $0 < x < 1$ , then  $1 - px < (1 - x)^p$ .
- (ii) (6 points) Let  $p > 1$  and let  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of **positive** numbers for which there is an  $n_0$  such that  $a_{n+1}/a_n \leq 1 - p/n$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ . Then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges. (We will call this the S Test.)
- (iii) (8 points) Use the S Test to determine for which  $a > 0$ ,  $b > 0$  the following (hypergeometric) series converges:

$$\frac{a}{b} + \frac{a(a+1)}{b(b+1)} + \frac{a(a+1)(a+2)}{b(b+1)b+2} + \dots$$