

## Conceptual Understanding in Chapter 1 of Math 410

1. Define what it means for  $c$  to be an upper bound of the set  $S$ .
2. Define set  $S$  that has an upper bound, and  $T$  that has no upper bound.
3. Define  $\sup S$  and  $\inf S$ .
4. State carefully the Completeness Axiom (also called the Least Upper Bound Axiom).
5. Let  $S$  be the set of rationals in  $[0, 1)$ . Does  $\sup S$  exist? If so, find it. Does  $\inf S$  exist. If so, find it.
6. Suppose that  $\sup S$  and  $\inf S$  exist for a set  $S$ . Must  $\inf S \leq \sup S$ ? Explain your answer.
7. Suppose we wish to prove that statement  $P$  implies statement  $Q$ . Tell how one begins a proof by contradiction.
8. State the three parts to a proof that uses the Law of Induction.
9. Define what it means for a set  $S$  to be inductive.
10. Let  $S$  be the set of all positive integers that are squares (i.e., 1, 4, 9, 16, ...). Is  $S$  inductive? Explain why, or why not.
11. State carefully the Archimedean Property.
12. Tell why the Archimedean Property is equivalent to the following statement: For any positive  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a natural number  $n$  such that  $1/n < \epsilon$ .
13. State the Triangle Inequality.
14. Write down the general Binomial Formula, and the Binomial Formula for  $n = 4$ .
15. Define what it means for a set  $S$  to be dense in a set  $T$ .
16. Is the set  $Q$  of rational numbers dense in  $R$ ?

## Conceptual Understanding in Chapter 2 of Math 410

### 1. Sequences

- (a) Define carefully what a sequence is. What is an index of a sequence. Must there be infinitely many indices for a given sequence?
- (b) What are the possible numbers for the initial index of a sequence?
- (c) Define carefully what it means for  $\{a_n\}$  to converge.
- (d) What are two ways in which a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  can diverge?
- (e) Suppose that  $\{a_n\}$  and  $\{b_n\}$  are two sequences, with  $a_n \leq b_n$  for all  $n$  in  $N$ . Suppose that  $\{b_n\}$  converges. Under what conditions will  $\{a_n\}$  automatically converge? Explain your answer.
- (f) Suppose that  $\{a_n\}$  and  $\{b_n\}$  both converge. Under what conditions does  $\{a_n/b_n\}$  converge?
- (g) Suppose that  $\{a_n\}$  and  $\{b_n\}$  are two sequences, and that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ . Under what conditions must  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n b_n$  converge?
- (h) Suppose that  $\{a_n\}$  and  $\{b_n\}$  are two sequences, and that  $\{a_n + b_n\}$  converges. Give an example for which  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n) \neq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n$ .
- (i) Under what conditions are we guaranteed that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n$
- (j) Suppose that  $\{a_n^2\}$  converges. Give an example for which  $\{a_n\}$  diverges.
- (k) Suppose that  $\{|a_n|\}$  converges. Give an example for which  $\{a_n\}$  diverges.
- (l) Is every convergent sequence bounded? Explain your answer.
- (m) Is every bounded sequence convergent? Explain your answer.
- (n) Is every real number the limit of rational numbers? Explain why, or why not.
- (o) Define carefully what is meant by a sequence being monotonically increasing. Give an example of a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  that is monotonically increasing, and a sequence  $\{b_n\}$  that is *not* monotonically increasing.
- (p) Is the product of monotone sequences automatically monotone? Explain, or give a counter-example.
- (q) State carefully the \*\*\*Monotone Convergence Theorem.

### 2. Dense sets

- (a) Define what it means for a set  $A$  to be dense in a set  $B$ .
- (b) Explain why each of the following sets is, or is not, dense in the reals  $R$ : the set  $J$  of integers, the set  $Q$  of rational numbers, the set  $I$  of irrational numbers.
- (c) Is it true that every convergent sequence of rational numbers has a rational limit? Explain why, or why not.

### 3. Closed sets

- (a) Define what it means for a set  $A$  to be a closed set in  $R$ .
- (b) Let  $A$  be the set of all  $1/n$ , where  $n$  is a positive integer. Determine if  $A$  is closed in  $R$ , giving reasons.

- (c) Explain why the set of irrational numbers  $A$  is not closed in  $R$ . What is the smallest closed set  $B$  that contains all irrational numbers in  $[0, 1]$ .
- (d) State carefully the \*\*\*Nested Interval Theorem, and draw a picture to show the idea of the theorem.

#### 4. Subsequence

- (a) Give a careful definition of a subsequence of  $\{a_n\}$ .
- (b) Can a subsequence have only finitely many indices?
- (c) If a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  converges to  $L$ , and  $\{a_{n_k}\}$  is a subsequence, must the subsequence converge? And if it must converge, must it converge to  $L$ ? Explain why, or why not.
- (d) Must every sequence in  $[0, 3]$  have a convergent subsequence? Explain why, or give a counter-example.
- (e) Must every subsequence of a given bounded sequence be bounded? Explain why, or give a counter-example.
- (f) If a given sequence  $\{a_n\}$  has a convergent subsequence, must  $\{a_n\}$  converge? Explain why, or give a counter-example.
- (g) If a given sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is monotone and has a convergent subsequence, must  $\{a_n\}$  converge? Explain why, or give a counter-example.
- (h) Define carefully what is meant by a set  $S$  being sequentially compact.
  - (i) Is every closed interval sequentially compact? Explain why, or give a counter-example.
  - (j) Is every bounded interval sequentially compact? Explain why, or give a counter-example.
- (k) What is a peak index for a given sequence  $\{a_n\}$ ?
  - (l) If a given sequence  $\{a_n\}$  has only finitely many peak indices, what can you say about  $\{a_n\}$  and the existence of a certain type of subsequence?
- (m) If a given sequence  $\{a_n\}$  has infinitely many peak indices, what can you say about  $\{a_n\}$  and the existence of a certain type of subsequence?
- (n) Can a sequence be a subsequence of itself? Explain why, or why not.

## Conceptual Understanding in Chapter 3 of Math 410

### 1. Continuity of a function.

- Define carefully what it means for  $f : D \rightarrow R$  to be continuous at  $x_0$ . Explain graphically what the sequence definition of continuity at  $x_0$  means. Likewise, explain graphically what the  $\epsilon - \delta$  definition of continuity at  $x_0$  means.
- Must a function  $f$  be defined at  $x_0$  in order to be continuous at  $x_0$ ? Explain why, or why not.
- Explain carefully what it means for the function  $f$  to be a continuous function.
- Let  $g(x) = 1/x$ . Is  $g$  a continuous function? Explain your answer.
- Let  $h(x) = \sqrt{x}$ . Is  $h$  continuous at  $x = 0$ ? Explain your answer.
- Let  $k : N \rightarrow R$ . Is  $k$  a continuous function? Explain your answer.
- Are sequences continuous functions? Explain your answer.
- Let  $p(x) = x$  for  $0 < x < 1$  and  $p(x) = x + 2$  for  $1 < x < 2$ . Is  $p$  continuous? Explain.
- Suppose that  $g$  is continuous on the interval  $[a, b]$ . Must  $g$  be bounded?
- Suppose that  $f : D \rightarrow R$  is a continuous function. Must  $|f|$  be a continuous function? Explain.
- Let  $f : [-1, 1] \rightarrow R$  be defined by  $f(x) = \sin(1/x)$  for  $x \neq 0$  and  $f(0) = 0$ . Is  $f$  a continuous function? Explain your answer.

### 2. Extreme values of a function

- What is the difference between a maximum value of a function  $f$  and a maximizer of  $f$ ?
- Can a function  $f$  have more than one maximum value? Can a function  $g$  have more than one maximizer? Explain your answers.
- \*\*\*Extreme Value Theorem: State it carefully.
- Can a function  $g : (1, 3) \rightarrow R$  have a maximum value? Can  $h : R \rightarrow R$  have a maximum value? Explain your answers.
- Write down a function  $f : (-1, 1) \rightarrow R$  that is continuous but has no extreme values.

### 3. \*\*\*Intermediate Value Theorem: State it carefully.

- Give an example of a function  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  that is not continuous, and does not satisfy the conclusion of the Intermediate Value Theorem.
- Given the statement of the Intermediate Value Theorem, why is  $x_0 = a$  not allowed?
- Let  $g$  be a polynomial of odd order. Use the Intermediate Value Theorem to show that  $g$  has a zero.
- Let  $h$  is a polynomial of even order. Under what conditions would  $h$  have a zero?
- If  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  is continuous, then must the range of  $f$  be an interval? Explain your answer.
- If  $g : (a, b) \rightarrow R$  is continuous, then must the range of  $g$  be an interval? Explain your answer.

### 4. Uniform continuity

- Give the definition of  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  being uniformly continuous on  $[a, b]$ .

- (b) Show by an example that if  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  is uniformly continuous, then the sequences  $(u_n)$  and  $(v_n)$  need not themselves converge in order to have  $|u_n - v_n| \rightarrow 0$  and  $|f(u_n) - f(v_n)| \rightarrow 0$
- (c) Suppose that  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  is continuous. Then must  $f$  be uniformly continuous on  $[a, b]$ ? Explain your answer.
- (d) Suppose that  $f : (a, b) \rightarrow R$  is continuous. Then must  $f$  be uniformly continuous on  $(a, b)$ ? Explain your answer.
- (e) Can a function  $g$  be uniformly continuous at a single point? Explain your answer.

## 5. Monotone and strictly monotone functions

- (a) Is a constant function monotonic? Is a constant function strictly monotonic? Explain your answers.
- (b) What is the difference between a strictly monotonic function and a one-to-one function? Is a monotonic function automatically one-to-one? Is a strictly monotonic function automatically one-to-one? Explain your answers, giving examples where relevant.
- (c) What is the difference between a monotonically decreasing function and a strictly monotonically decreasing function?
- (d) If a function  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  is continuous and monotonically decreasing, what can you say about the range of  $f$ ?
- (e) Suppose that  $g : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  is monotonically increasing, and  $g[a, b] = [c, d]$ . Must  $g$  be continuous? Explain your answer.
- (f) If  $f$  is monotonically increasing, then does  $f^{-1}$  automatically exist? If  $f$  is strictly monotonically increasing, then does  $f^{-1}$  automatically exist? Explain your answers, giving examples where relevant.
- (g) Suppose that  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  is monotonically decreasing and  $f^{-1}$  exists. Then must  $f$  be strictly monotonically decreasing? Explain your answer.
- (h) Suppose that  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  is monotonically decreasing and  $f^{-1}$  exists. Then must the range of  $f$  be an interval? Must  $f^{-1}$  also be monotonically decreasing? Explain your answers, giving examples where relevant.
- (i) Suppose that  $f$  has an inverse. If  $f$  is continuous, must  $f^{-1}$  be continuous? Explain your answer, giving examples where relevant.

## Conceptual Understanding in Chapter 4 of Math 410

### 1. Elements of sets

- (a) Define what it means for  $x_0$  in a set  $D$  to have a neighborhood in  $D$ .
- (b) How are a point interior to a set  $D$  and an isolated point of  $D$  related?

### 2. Derivative of a function

- (a) Define carefully what it means for  $f$  to have a derivative at  $x_0$ .
- (b) What does it mean for  $f$  to be a differentiable function?
- (c) For  $f'(x_0)$  to exist, must  $f$  be defined in a neighborhood of  $x_0$ ? Explain your answer.
- (d) Let  $g(x) = x^{3/2}$ . Does  $g'(0)$  exist? Explain your answer.
- (e) Prove that if  $f'(x_0)$  exists, then  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0$ .
- (f) Give an example of a function  $g$  such that  $g$  is continuous at  $z_0$  but  $g'(z_0)$  does not exist.
- (g) Suppose that  $g(a) = c$  and  $g'(a) = r$ . Write down an equation of the line  $L$  tangent to the graph of  $g$  at  $(a, c)$ .
- (h) Can a line  $L$  tangent to the graph of  $g$  at  $(a, c)$  cross, or touch, the graph of  $g$  at another point on the graph of  $g$ ? Explain your answer.
- (i) State carefully the Product Rule and the Quotient Rule for derivatives.
- (j) State carefully the Chain Rule for derivatives.
- (k) Show that the following two formulas for  $f'(x_0)$  are equivalent:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0} \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0 + h) - f(x_0)}{h}$$

- (l) Suppose that  $f$  is a differentiable function, that  $f$  has an inverse, and that  $f(a) = c$ . State carefully the additional hypotheses that are needed in order that  $(f^{-1})'(c)$  exists, and give a formula for  $(f^{-1})'(c)$ .
- (m) Suppose that  $f$  has an inverse, and that  $f'(x_0)$  exists. What is the relationship graphically between  $f'(x_0)$  and the appropriate derivative of  $(f^{-1})$  (providing that the latter exists)?
- (n) Find a function  $g : R \rightarrow R$  that is strictly monotone but such that  $g'(0) = 0$ . Can  $g$  have infinitely many values of  $a$  such that  $g'(a) = 0$ ? Explain your answer.
- (o) Let  $g(x) = x^2$ . Determine if for each  $c \neq 0$  there is a line  $L$  tangent to the graph of  $g$  such that  $L$  passes through the point  $(c, 0)$  on the  $x$  axis. Support your answer.
- (p) Let  $f$  be continuous on  $[a, b]$ , differentiable on  $(a, b)$ , and such that  $f(a) = f(b) = 0$ . Prove that if  $f(c) > 0$  for some  $c$  in  $(a, b)$ , then there exist  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  in  $(a, b)$  such that  $f'(x_1) > 0 > f'(x_2)$ .
- (q) Suppose that  $f$  has a bounded derivative on  $R$ . Determine whether  $f$  must be uniformly continuous on  $R$ , giving reasons.

### 3. \*\*\*The Mean Value Theorem

- (a) State carefully the Mean Value Theorem.
- (b) In what way is Rolle's Theorem a special case of the Mean Value Theorem?

- (c) In the statement of the Mean Value Theorem, an assumption is that  $f$  is continuous on the closed interval  $[a, b]$ . Suppose that  $f$  were continuous on  $(a, b)$  and also differentiable on  $(a, b)$ . Give an example to show that the conclusion would not necessarily be valid.
- (d) Let  $f : R \rightarrow R$  be differentiable. Show that there is exactly one function  $g$  such that  $f'(x) = g'(x)$  for all  $x$  in  $R$ , and such that  $g(0) = \pi$ .
- (e) Suppose that  $f : R \rightarrow R$  is differentiable, and assume that  $f'(x) = 0$  has exactly  $k$  solutions, where  $k \geq 1$ . Determine the maximum number of solutions to the equation  $f(x) = 0$ .
- (f) Is it possible for a function  $f$  to be increasing on  $[0, 1]$  and simultaneously have an infinite number of values of  $x$  in  $(0, 1)$  such that  $g'(x) = 0$ ? Explain your answer.
- (g) Suppose that  $g$  is differentiable on an open interval  $I$ , and assume that  $g$  has exactly two local maximizers,  $x_0$  and  $x_1$ , with  $x_0 < x_1$ . Must  $g$  have a local minimizer in the interval  $(x_0, x_1)$ ? Explain your answer.
- (h) What is the maximum number of local minimizers a 4th degree polynomial can have? Support your answer.
- (i) How does the Cauchy Mean Value Theorem differ from the Mean Value Theorem?
- (j) Which form of l'Hopital's Rule is a by-product of the Cauchy Mean Value Theorem?
- (k) State the 2nd Derivative Test. Draw the graph of a function  $f$  that has a local maximum value  $f(x_0)$ , and show that the hypotheses and the conclusion of the 2nd Derivative Test are consistent with the graph of  $f$  near  $(x_0, f(x_0))$ .

## Conceptual Understanding in Chapter 6 of Math 410

### 1. Preparing for the Integral

- (a) Suppose that  $a < b$ . Can a partition  $P$  of  $[a, b]$  have only one point? Alternatively, can a partition  $P$  of  $[a, b]$  have infinitely many distinct points? Explain your answers.
- (b) If  $f$  is defined on  $[a, b]$  but is not bounded above on  $[a, b]$ , is it possible for the lower and upper Darboux sums  $L(f, P)$  and  $U(f, P)$  to exist? Explain your answer.
- (c) Under what conditions on  $f$  must  $L(f, P) \neq U(f, P)$ ?
- (d) Suppose that  $P$  is a partition of  $[a, b]$ . Is  $P$  a refinement of itself? Explain your answer.
- (e) Let  $P$  and  $Q$  be partitions of  $[a, b]$ . Describe the process for finding a common refinement.
- (f) Let  $P$  and  $Q$  be partitions of  $[a, b]$ . Tell why  $L(f, P) \leq U(f, Q)$ .
- (g) Describe the relationship between  $L(f, P)$  and  $\int_{-a}^b f$ . Analogously, describe the relationship between  $U(f, P)$  and  $\int_a^{-b} f$ .
- (h) Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  be bounded. Show that the lower integral and the upper integral automatically exist.
- (i) Give a condition under which  $\int_{-a}^b f \neq \int_a^{-b} f$ , but  $f$  is bounded.
- (j) Let  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow R$ , with  $f(x) = 0$  if  $x$  is rational, and  $f(x) = 1$  if  $x$  is irrational. Let  $P$  be an arbitrary partition of  $[0, 1]$ . Find  $L(f, P)$ ,  $U(f, P)$ ,  $\int_{-a}^b f$ , and  $\int_a^{-b} f$ .

### 2. Archimedes-Riemann Theorem and Related Items

- (a) State the Archimedes-Riemann Theorem, and tell what kinds of functions were shown to be integrable by means of the theorem.
- (b) To show that  $\int_a^b f$  exists by the Archimedes-Riemann Theorem, could one just show that for two sequences  $(P_n)$  and  $(Q_n)$  of partitions of  $[a, b]$ , one has  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [U(f, P_n) - L(f, Q_n)] = 0$ ? Explain your answer.
- (c) Define what is meant by the gap of a partition  $P$  of  $[a, b]$ .
- (d) Why is it generally easier to prove that a function is integrable on an interval  $[a, b]$  if the partitions are regular?
- (e) Suppose  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  is continuous on  $(a, b)$ . Then is  $f$  automatically integrable? Explain your answer.
- (f) Suppose  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  is continuous on  $(a, b)$  and  $f$  is bounded on  $[a, b]$ . Is  $f$  automatically integrable? Explain your answer.
- (g) Suppose that  $g : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  is a step function. Explain why the function is automatically integrable.
- (h) Find a function  $g : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  that is bounded but not integrable.



### 3. Integrals and Area

- (a) Under what conditions does  $\int_a^b f$  represent the area  $A$  of the region between the graph of  $f$  and the  $x$ -axis between  $x = a$  and  $x = b$ ?
- (b) What do the linearity and the monotonicity results in Chapter 6 tell about properties of area?
- (c) If  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  is integrable, then describe  $L(f, P)$  and  $U(f, P)$  in terms of properties of area.

### 4. The Fundamental Theorems of Calculus and Related Items

- (a) Suppose that  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  is continuous. Does  $f$  automatically have an antiderivative? If so, write down a formula for an antiderivative.
- (b) Suppose that  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  is integrable, and  $\int_a^b f(x) dx = F(b) - F(a)$ , where  $F$  is an antiderivative of  $f$ . If  $G$  is another antiderivative of  $f$  on  $[a, b]$ , is it automatic that  $\int_a^b f(x) dx = G(b) - G(a)$ ? Explain your answer.
- (c) Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  be continuous and  $\int_a^b f(x) = 0$ . Must  $f(x_0) = 0$  for some  $x_0$  in  $[a, b]$ ? Explain your answer.
- (d) Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  be integrable, and  $f(x) \geq 0$  for all  $x$  in  $[a, b]$ . Must  $\int_a^b f \geq 0$ ? Explain your answer.
- (e) How is the Mean Value Theorem for Integrals like the Mean Value Theorem?
- (f) Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow R$  be continuous, and let  $f \geq 0$  on  $[a, b]$ . Give an interpretation of the Mean Value Theorem for Integrals in terms of the area of a particular rectangle.
- (g) Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow R$ . Show that the Mean Value Theorem for Integrals does not hold if we replace the assumption that  $f$  is continuous with the assumption that  $f$  is merely integrable.
- (h) Evaluate  $\frac{d}{dx} \int_{x^2}^{e^{2x}} x^4 \sin(t^2) dt$ .
- (i) It is known that we cannot find a simple formula for an antiderivative of  $g(x) = \sqrt{1+x^4}$ , for  $0 \leq x \leq 2$ . Does this mean that  $\int_0^2 \sqrt{1+x^4} dx$  does not exist? Explain your answer.

## Conceptual Understanding in Chapter 7 of Math 410

1. Why is "integration by parts" so called?
2. If we wish to use integration by parts on  $\int f(x)g'(x) dx$ , what are the properties of  $f(x)$  and  $g'(x)$  that generally help with the integration by parts process?
3. To get the following integrals into the form  $\int u dv$  for integration by parts, what would you choose for  $u$ , and for  $dv$ ?

$$\int x^2 e^{4x} dx, \int \ln x dx, \int \sin^9 t \cos^3 t dt, \int \tan^5 t \sec^4 t dt, \int \tan^5 t \sec^5 t dt$$

4. If one is to evaluate  $\int x^2 \sqrt{1+x^3} dx$  by substituting  $u = 1+x^3$ , then what does  $du =$ ?
5. Determine a non-zero number  $k$  such that we can easily evaluate  $\int x^k (\ln(x^4)) dx$ .
6. What does the Trapezoidal Rule have to do with trapezoids?
7. For the Trapezoidal Rule with  $n$  subintervals of  $[a, b]$  to approximate  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ , what are restrictions on the lengths of the subintervals of  $[a, b]$ ?
8. For  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ , why is the Trapezoidal Rule with  $n$  subintervals  $= \frac{b-a}{2n} [f(a) + 2f(x_1) + 2f(x_2) + \dots + 2f(x_{n-1}) + f(b)]$ ?
9. Describe how the Trapezoidal Rule error  $E_n^T$  formula is related to the integral  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ .
10.  $E_n^T \leq \frac{M_T}{12n^2} (b-a)^3$ . What does  $M$  represent, and why does  $\frac{M_T}{12n^2} (b-a)^3 \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ?
11. Explain why the Trapezoidal Rule gives the exact value of  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$  if  $f$  is a linear function.
12. For Simpson's Rule, why must the number of subintervals of  $[a, b]$  be an even integer?
13. For  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ , Simpson's Rule with  $n$  ( $n$  even!) subintervals is  $= \frac{b-a}{2n} [f(a) + 4f(x_1) + 2f(x_2) + \dots + 2f(x_{n-2}) + 4(f(x_{n-1}) + f(b))]$ . Why the coefficients 1, 4, 2, 4, 2, ..., 2, 4, 1?
14. The Simpson Rule error is:  $E_n^S \leq \frac{M_S}{180n^4} (b-a)^5$ . What does  $M_S$  represent? For large  $n$ , why is the Simpson Rule apt to be a better approximation than the Trapezoidal Rule?
15. Explain why Simpson's Rule gives the exact value of  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$  if  $f$  is a degree 3 polynomial.

## Conceptual Understanding in Chapter 8 of Math 410

1. What is the order of contact for a function  $f$  and its  $n$ th Taylor polynomial? Explain your answer.
2. Among the most important common non-polynomial functions in calculus are:  $e^x$ ,  $\sin x$ ,  $\cos x$ , and  $\frac{1}{1-x}$ . For each of these functions, write down the  $n$ th Taylor polynomial about 0.
3. Let  $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$ . Does  $g$  have any Taylor polynomials about  $x = 0$ ? Explain your answer.
4. Let  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  have  $n + 1$  derivatives on  $I$ , with  $I$  open and  $x_0$  in  $I$ . By the Lagrange Remainder Theorem, the  $n$ th Taylor remainder  $r_n(x)$  for  $x$  in  $I$  is given by  $\frac{f^{(n+1)}(x_c)}{(n+1)!}(x-x_0)^{n+1}$ . What is  $x_c$ , and how does it relate to the numbers  $x$  and  $x_0$ ?
5. Let  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  have  $n + 1$  derivatives on  $I$ , with  $I$  open and  $x_0$  in  $I$ . Let  $p_n$  and  $r_n$  denote the  $n$ th Taylor polynomial and the  $n$ th Taylor remainder function, respectively. How do  $f(x)$ ,  $p_n(x)$ , and  $r_n(x)$  relate to one another?
6. Let  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  have derivatives of all orders on the open interval  $I$ , with  $x_0$  in  $I$ . Define the Taylor series expansion of  $f$  about  $x_0$ , and define the radius of convergence  $R$  for the Taylor series.
7. Define a function  $g$  whose Taylor series expansion about 0 has the given radius of convergence  $R$ :  
(a)  $R = 0$                       (b)  $R = 2$                       (c)  $R = \sqrt{3}$                       (d)  $R = \infty$
8. Let  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  have derivatives of all orders, and let  $x_0$  be in  $I$ . Give a nontrivial assumption on the derivatives of  $f$  at  $x$  in  $I$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r_n(x) = 0$  for all  $x$  in  $I$ .
9. If the assumption on the derivatives of  $f$  at  $x$  in the preceding item is met, then how are  $f(x)$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n(x)$ , and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r_n(x)$  related?
10. Give an example of a function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with derivatives of all orders at 0, such that  $f(x) \neq$  the Taylor series of  $f$  about 0.

## Conceptual Understanding in Chapter 9 of Math 410

### 1. Series

- (a) What is the definition of a Cauchy sequence?
- (b) Which appears easier to prove: That a Cauchy sequence must converge, or that a convergent sequence is necessarily a Cauchy sequence? Give reasons for your answer.
- (c) What is a geometric series, and what are the conditions for a geometric series to converge?
- (d) What are the two equivalent statements for the Comparison Test?
- (e) How are convergent series and absolutely convergent series related?
- (f) State carefully the Alternating Series Test.
- (g) How are the Integral Test and the p-Test related?
- (h) How does the proof of the Ratio Test rely on geometric series?

### 2. Pointwise and Uniform Convergence of Functions

- (a) Let  $f_n : D \rightarrow R$  for all  $n \geq 1$ , and let  $f : D \rightarrow R$ . Define carefully what it means for the sequence  $\{f_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  to converge pointwise to  $f$ .
- (b) Let  $f_n : D \rightarrow R$  for all  $n \geq 1$ , and let  $f : D \rightarrow R$ . Define carefully what it means for the sequence  $\{f_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  to converge uniformly to  $f$ .
- (c) Let  $f_n : D \rightarrow R$  for all  $n \geq 1$ , and let  $f : D \rightarrow R$ . Show that if the sequence  $\{f_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges uniformly to  $f$ , then the sequence converges pointwise to  $f$ , but that the converse is false.
- (d) Let  $f_n : D \rightarrow R$  for all  $n \geq 1$ , and let  $f : D \rightarrow R$ . Suppose the sequence  $\{f_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges uniformly to  $f$ . Which of the properties of continuity, integrability, and differentiability for each  $f_n$  is inherited by  $f$ ? Explain your answer.
- (e) Let  $f_n : D \rightarrow R$  for all  $n \geq 1$ , and let  $f : D \rightarrow R$ . Suppose the sequence  $\{f_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges pointwise to  $f$ . Which of the properties of continuity, integrability, and differentiability for each  $f_n$  is inherited by  $f$ ? Explain your answer.

### 3. (a) Power Series

- (b) Define power series expansion.
- (c) The domain of convergence  $D$  of a power series is the interval of convergence  $I$  for the power series. How is  $D$  (and thus  $I$ ) related to the radius of convergence  $R$ ?
- (d) Find a power series with  $R = 0$ , and another with  $R = \infty$ , and another with  $R = 4$ .
- (e) Given  $f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k x^k$ , with  $R > 0$ . Find the power series for  $f'(x)$ , and the radius of convergence  $R_1$  of that power series.