

IN CLASS MIDTERM EXAM
THU OCT 2

Please do SIX out of the first SEVEN questions. Question 8 on hemi-continuity is required. You can attempt the remaining question for extra credit. Thus, there are a total of 100 points for the exam ($6 \times 14 + 16$) and a possible 14 points of extra credit.

Rules, regulations and advice

- a) If we want you to use a specific metric for a question, we'll state this explicitly. Otherwise, your answer should hold for any metric.
- b) You don't have to answer the questions in order, but please number each of your answers carefully.
- c) Some questions are significantly easier, and quicker to complete, than others. Get the easy/quick ones out of the way first before trying the longer/harder ones.
- d) Use good judgement when it comes to deciding what to prove and what not to. For example it would be a really bad judgement call to take precious time to *prove* that the set of integers \mathbb{Z} contains no accumulation points.
- e) It's very hard to get partial credit for a question unless you write at least something down. So unless you are very fast, *don't obsess*. If you are pressed for time, it's almost always better to give quick-and-dirty answer to more questions than beautiful, perfect answers to fewer. Once you finish the exam, you can always go back at the end and improve on the quick-and-dirty answers. In particular, if a question has a yes/no answer, write down the answer, then come back and justify it later.

Problem 1 (14 points). Accumulation points:

Let $\{a_n\}$ be a sequence in some set $A \subset \mathbb{R}$. Prove that if $\lim a_n = x$, but $a_n \neq x$ for all n , then x is an accumulation point of the set A .

Problem 2 (14 points). Open and closed sets:

For this question, use a Euclidean metric. Let $B = \{\frac{(-1)^n n}{n+1} : n = 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$.

- Does the set B in \mathbb{R} have any accumulation points? If so, what are they?
- Is B a closed subset of \mathbb{R} ?
- Is B an open subset of \mathbb{R} ?

Problem 3 (14 points). Limits:

For this problem, consider an arbitrary universe \mathbf{X} and an arbitrary metric d defined on $\mathbf{X} \times \mathbf{X}$. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in some set X . Prove that if $\{x_n\}$ has a limit, then this limit is unique.

Problem 4 (14 points). Sequences:

Give an example of each of the following, or if no such example exists, explain why not:

- Sequences $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$ which do not converge, but whose sum $\{x_n + y_n\}$ converges.
- An unbounded sequence $\{x_n\}$ and a convergent sequence $\{y_n\}$, where $\{x_n - y_n\}$ is bounded.
- A convergent sequence $\{x_n\}$, where $\{1/x_n\}$ does not converge.
- Sequences $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$ where $\{x_n\}$ converges, $\{y_n\}$ does not converge, and the sum $\{x_n + y_n\}$ converges.
- Two sequences $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$, where $\{x_n y_n\}$ and $\{x_n\}$ converge, but $\{y_n\}$ does not.

Problem 5 (14 points). Boundedness:

Show that if f is continuous on $[a, b]$ in \mathbb{R} with $f(x) > 0$ for all $x \in [a, b]$, then $\frac{1}{f}$ is bounded on $[a, b]$.

Problem 6 (14 points). Continuity:

For this question, use an Euclidean metric. Show that any function f whose domain is \mathbb{Z} (the integers) will be continuous at every point in its domain.

Problem 7 (14 points). More continuity:

Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous on \mathbb{R} and let $K = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : f(x) = 0\}$. Show that K is closed in \mathbb{R} .

Problem 8 (16 points). Hemi-continuity:

Consider the following two correspondences mapping $X = [-1, 1]$ to $Y = [0, 4\pi]$:

$\xi(x) = \{y \in Y : \sin(y) = x\}$ and $\phi(x) = \{y \in Y : \cos(y) = x\}$.

- Sketch a graph of each correspondence.
- Are either or both of these correspondences upper-hemi-continuous. If so, *briefly* explain how you know. If not, establish this definitively.
- Are either or both of these correspondences lower-hemi-continuous. If so, *briefly* explain how you know. We don't expect a formal proof, just an indication that you know what's going on. If not, establish this definitively.