

Analysis PhD exam in Analysis
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Do eight out of eleven. Show all reasoning and all calculations. Your answers are judged on the completeness and clarity of your arguments.

- (1) (a) Suppose $f_1, f_2, \dots: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [-\infty, \infty]$ are continuous. What conclusions can you make about the following functions:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n, \liminf f_n, \limsup f_n, \inf f_n, \sup f_n?$$

- (b) Same question as in (a) but with “measurable” in place of “continuous.”

- (2) Let $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, and set

$$f_n(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{2^n-1} \left(2^n \int_{j2^{-n}}^{(j+1)2^{-n}} f(y) dy \right) \chi_{[j2^{-n}, (j+1)2^{-n})(x)}.$$

- (a) What can you say about the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$ when f is assumed continuous, when f is only measurable, or when $f \in L^2$?

- (b) If $f \in L^2$, show that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f - f_n\|_2 = 0.$$

- (3) (a) State Fatou’s lemma.

- (b) Give an example when the \leq in Fatou’s lemma is strict $<$.

- (4) Find and prove the limits ($n \rightarrow \infty$):

$$\int_0^n \left(1 - \frac{x}{n}\right)^n e^{\frac{x}{2}} dx, \text{ and } \int_0^n \left(1 + \frac{x}{n}\right)^n e^{-2x} dx.$$

(5) Let $E \subset \mathbb{R}$ be measurable. Set $f(x) = \lambda((-\infty, x] \cap E)$. Notation: λ for Lebesgue measure.

(a) Is f measurable?

(b) Is f continuous?

Give complete answers!

(6) Let $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, and suppose $f \in L^\infty$, $\|f\|_\infty > 0$. Set $a_n = \int_0^1 |f|^n dx$.

Prove that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \|f\|_\infty.$$

(7) Let H be a Hilbert space and $P: H \rightarrow H$ a linear operator satisfying $P^2 = P$.

(a) Show that the following are equivalent:

(i) $P = P^*$

(ii) $\|P\| = 1$.

(iii) $PH \perp (I - P)H$.

(b) Give an example when $P^2 = P$ but $P \neq P^*$.

Note: P^* is the adjoint of P .

(8) Let C denote the continuous functions on $[0, 1]$, and set

$$K = \left\{ f \in C \mid \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} f(t) dt - \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^1 f(t) dt = 1 \right\}.$$

Is there an $f \in C$ such that $\|f\| = \inf \{\|g\| \mid g \in K\}$?

Note: $\|g\| := \max_{t \in [0,1]} |g(t)|$.

(9) Illustrate with an example why

$$(l^\infty)^* \neq l^1.$$

(10) (a) Give an example of a function which is harmonic but not analytic.

(b) Give an example of a function which is analytic but not entire.

(c) Give an example of a non-constant function which is bounded analytic on $\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| < 1\}$, one on $\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \operatorname{Re} z > 0\}$, $\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \operatorname{Re} z > 0, \operatorname{Im} z > 0\}$. Is there one on all of \mathbb{C} ?

(11) Consider

$$f(z) = \operatorname{Im} \left\{ \left(\frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^2 \right\} \text{ for } z \in D = \{|z| < 1\}.$$

Does Poisson's integral representation hold for this function, i.e., is there a measure μ on ∂D such that

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{e^{it} + z}{e^{it} - z} \right\} d\mu(t) ?$$