

**COMPREHENSIVE EXAM
IN
ANALYSIS**

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Instructions: Do problems **1,2**, and any **three** of the remaining **seven** problems. To receive credit on a problem, you must show your work and justify your conclusions.

1. If f is a real-valued function defined on \mathbb{R} , and $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} f(t) = L$, and $L \neq 0$, prove that $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{1}{f(t)} = \frac{1}{L}$.

2. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

$$f(x) = x^3 \sin\left(\frac{1}{x^2}\right), x \neq 0, f(0) = 0.$$

Prove that f is differentiable on \mathbb{R} , that its derivative is bounded but not uniformly continuous on $(0, \infty)$, and that f is uniformly continuous on \mathbb{R} .

3. For $x > 0$, let $F(x) = \int_0^\infty \frac{1 - e^{-xt^2}}{t^2} dt$.

- (a) Show that the improper integral defining F is convergent.
- (b) Show that the function F is differentiable, and find an explicit formula for $F'(x)$ in terms of elementary functions.
- (c) Use the result of part (b) to find an explicit expression for $F(x)$ in terms of elementary functions.

4. (a) Show that $n^n e^{-n} \leq n! \leq n^n$ for all positive integers n .

(b) Let $\{b_n\}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$, be a sequence of positive real numbers. Suppose there is a real number β and a constant $C > 0$ so that for all $n \geq 1$

$$\frac{b_{n+1}}{b_n} = 1 + \frac{\beta}{n} + R(n) \quad \text{where} \quad |R(n)| \leq \frac{C}{n^2}.$$

Show that, depending on β , the sequence $\{b_n\}$ has a limit which is either zero, positive, or infinite.

(c) Using the results of part (b), show that the sequence $\left\{\frac{n!}{n^n e^{-n} \sqrt{n}}\right\}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$, has a finite non-zero limit.

5. If $a_n > 0$, and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \sum_{k=1}^n a_k = 2$. Prove that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{n} a_n = 1$. You may want first to find $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$.

6. Evaluate the integral $\int_0^\infty \frac{\log(1+x^2)}{x^{1+\beta}} dx$, where $0 < \beta < 2$. (Hint: First integrate by parts, then residues).

7. Suppose $u : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a harmonic function on the entire complex plane \mathbb{C} . If $u(x, y) = f(x)g(y)$ for all (x, y) where f, g are twice differentiable functions of one real variable find u . You may want to start by giving an example of one such harmonic function.

8. Discuss the pointwise and uniform convergence of the sequence of functions $\{\frac{n^2 x}{1+n^3 x^2}\}$ on the following intervals: (a) $[-1, 1]$, (b) $[1, 2]$, (c) $[a, \infty)$, $a > 0$.

9. Let f_n be a sequence of continuous real valued functions defined on $[a, b]$. If the sequence f_n converges to a function f on $[a, b]$, which of the following statements is true and which is not. In your answer, supply a proof or a counter example as the case may require.

(a) f is a continuous function on $[a, b]$.

(b) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b f_n(x) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx$.