

1. a) Prove that  $\omega_f$  is a nondecreasing function on  $(0, \infty)$ .

If  $\delta' < \delta$  then for any pair  $c, c'$  such that  $\|c - c'\|_V < \delta'$  we have  $\|c - c'\|_V < \delta$ . Therefore  $\sup|f(c) - f(c')|, c, c' \in C, \|c - c'\|_V < \delta' \leq \sup|f(c) - f(c')|, c, c' \in C, \|c - c'\|_V < \delta$  So  $\omega_f(\delta') \leq \omega_f(\delta)$ .

b) Show that  $f$  is uniformly continuous iff [if and only if]

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \omega_f(\delta) = 0$$

By the definition, a function  $f$  is uniformly continuous iff for any  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that for any  $c, c' \in C, \|c - c'\|_V < \delta$  we have  $|f(c) - f(c')| < \epsilon$ .

Assume that  $\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \omega_f(\delta) = 0$  and show that  $f$  is uniformly continuous. Choose any  $\epsilon > 0$ . Since  $\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \omega_f(\delta) = 0$  we can find  $\delta > 0$  such that  $\omega_f(\delta) < \epsilon$ . Therefore for any  $c, c' \in C, \|c - c'\|_V < \delta$  we have  $|f(c) - f(c')| < \epsilon$  and we see that  $f$  is uniformly continuous.

Conversely, assume that  $f$  is uniformly continuous. To show that  $\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \omega_f(\delta) = 0$  it is sufficient to show that for any  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $\omega_f(\delta') < \epsilon$  for  $\delta' < \delta$ . By the definition of the uniform continuity there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that for any  $c, c' \in C, \|c - c'\|_V < \delta$  we have  $|f(c) - f(c')| < \epsilon$ . But this implies that  $\omega_f(\delta) < \epsilon$ . Since, by a), the function  $\omega_f(\delta)$  is nondecreasing we see that  $\omega_f(\delta') < \epsilon$  for  $\delta' < \delta$ .

c) Check whether the function  $\sin(x^2)$  on  $\mathbb{R}$  is uniformly continuous.

Choose  $\epsilon = 1$ . It is easy to see that for any  $\delta > 0$  there exists a positive integer  $n$  such that  $x_{2n+1} - x_{2n-1} < \delta$  where  $x_n := \sqrt{n\pi}$ . On the other hand  $\sin(x_{2n+1}^2) - \sin(x_{2n-1}^2) > 1$ . Therefore the function  $\sin(x^2)$  on  $\mathbb{R}$  is not uniformly continuous.

For the simplicity I'll restate the problem 2 in a slightly different form. Let  $f : C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  a continuous function. Fix  $\epsilon > 0$ . For any  $c \in C$  we define  $I_c \subset (0, 1)$  the set of all numbers  $x$  such that  $\forall c', c'' \in C$  such that  $\|c - c'\|_V, \|c - c''\|_V < x$  we have  $|f(c'') - f(c')| < \epsilon$ . We define a function  $\delta$  on  $C$  by  $\delta(c) := \text{lub}(I_c)$ .

2. Prove that the function  $\delta$  on  $C$  is continuous and  $\delta(c) > 0 \forall c \in C$ .

Proof. The positivity of the function  $\delta$  follows immediately from the continuity of the function  $f$ .

We will actually prove that the function  $\delta$  on  $C$  is uniformly continuous. More precisely we show that for any  $\nu > 0$  we have  $|\delta(c) - \delta(d)| < \nu$  for any  $c, d \in C, \|c - d\|_V < \nu/2$ . In other words we have show that  $\delta(c) < \delta(d) + \nu$  and that  $\delta(d) < \delta(c) + \nu$  for any  $c, d \in C, \|c - d\|_V < \nu/2$ . Of course, it is sufficient to prove the first inequality  $\delta(d) < \delta(c) + \nu$ . It is clear that  $B_d(\delta(c) - \nu) \subset B_c(\delta(c))$ . Since, by the definition of  $\delta(c)$ , we have  $|f(c'') - f(c')| < \epsilon \forall c', c'' \in B_c(\delta(c))$  we see that

$|f(c'') - f(c')| < \epsilon \forall c', c'' \in B_d(\delta(c) - \nu)$ . Therefore  $\delta(d) > \delta(c) - \nu$ . So  $\delta(c) < \delta(d) + \nu$ .

Given a function  $f$  on  $\mathbb{R}$  we say that  $f$  is *infinitely differentiable* if  $f$  is  $n$ -times differentiable for any  $n \geq 0$ . In this case for any  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  we can define the *Taylor series*

$$P_f(a, x) := \sum_{n \geq 0} c_n (x - a)^n, c_n := f^{(n)}(a)/n!$$

. We define by  $I_a \subset [0, \infty)$  as the set of numbers  $r \geq 0$  such that  $c_n r^n \rightarrow 0$  for  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and write  $r_f(a) := \text{lub}(I_a)$ . [It could be that  $r_f(a) = \infty$ ].

a) Show that the Taylor series  $P_f(a, x)$  is convergent for any  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $|x - a| < r_f(a)$ .

We have to show that for any  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $|x - a| < r_f(a)$  the series  $\sum_{n \geq 0} c_n (x - a)^n$  is convergent. For simplicity of writing we assume that  $x > a$ . Choose any  $y \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $x < y < a + r_f(a)$ . Since  $y < a + r_f(a)$  we see from the definition of  $r_f(a)$  that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n (y - a)^n = 0$ . In particular there exists a number  $C > 0$  such that  $|c_n (y - a)^n| < C$  for all  $n > 0$ . Therefore  $|c_n (x - a)^n| < C (x - a)^n / (y - a)^n$  and the Taylor series  $P_f(a, x)$  is majorated by a convergent geometric series. Therefore the Taylor series  $P_f(a, x)$  is convergent.

b) Find the Taylor series  $P_f(a, x)$  for  $f = 1/(x^2 + 1)$  and compute  $r_f(a)$ .

By the definition we have to find coefficients  $c_n := f^{(n)}(a)/n!$ . The easiest way to find the derivatives  $f^{(n)}(a)$  is to use the decomposition

$f(x) = i/2[1/(x + i) - 1/(x - i)]$  where  $i^2 = -1$ . Then one finds that  $f^{(n)}(x) = (-1)^n n! i/2 [1/(x + i)^{n+1} - 1/(x - i)^{n+1}]$  and

$$c_n = (-1)^n i/2 [1/(a + i)^{n+1} - 1/(a - i)^{n+1}] = (-1)^n \sum_k (-1)^k \binom{n}{2k}.$$

Another way to get a formula for  $P_f(a, x)$  is to compute  $f^{(n)}(a)/n!$  for small  $n$  by direct computations, to make a guess for  $f^{(n)}(a)/n!$  for arbitrary  $n$  and then to prove the guess by induction.

EXTRA CREDIT. Explain the result.

Since the function  $1/(x^2 + 1)$  is not defined at  $x = \pm i$  we have  $< r_f(a) = \sqrt{a^2 + 1} =$  the distance from  $a$  to  $i$ .

c) Let  $f$  be function  $f$  on  $\mathbb{R}$  such that  $f(x) = 0$   $x \leq 0$  and  $f(x) = \exp(-1/x)$  for  $x > 0$ . Prove that  $f$  is infinitely differentiable and find  $P_f(0, x)$ .

Proof. We start with the following result.

Lemma'. For any  $n \leq 0$  we have  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x^{-n} \exp(-1/x) = 0$ .

Proof of the Lemma. It is clear that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x^{-n} \exp(-1/x) = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} y^n \exp(-y)$$

and one can find this limit using the L'Hopital's rule.

Next one proves the following result.

Lemma". For any  $n \leq 0$  there exists a polynomial  $P_n(t)$  of degree  $n$  such that  $\exp(-1/x)^{(n)} = P_n(1/x) \exp(-1/x)$ .

Proof of Lemma. Induction in  $n$ .

Now the part c) follows immediately from these Lemmas. In this case we have  $P_f(0, x) = 0$ .

d) Show that there exists an infinitely differentiable function  $F$  on  $\mathbb{R}$  such that  $0 \leq F(x) \leq 1$ ,  $F(x) = 0$  for  $|x| > 1$  and  $F(x) = 1$  for  $|x| < 1/2$ . I think that this problem was too difficult. I should ask you first to construct an infinitely differentiable function  $g$  on  $\mathbb{R}$  such that  $0 \leq g(x) \leq 1$ ,  $g(x) = 0$  for  $|x| \geq 1$  and  $g(x) > 0$  for  $|x| < 1$ . In this case we can simply take  $g(x) := f(x+1)f(1-x)$  where  $f$  is the function from the part c).

To construct a function  $F(x)$  satisfies the conditions of d) we define  $a := \min_{|x| \leq 1/2} g(x)$ . Then  $a > 0$  and therefore  $f(a) > 0$ . Consider now the function  $F(x) := 1 - f(a - g(x))/f(a)$ . It is easy to check that  $F(x)$  satisfies the conditions of d)

4. Let  $f(x), g(x)$  be differentiable functions on  $\mathbb{R}$  such that  $g(x) \rightarrow +\infty$  for  $x \rightarrow +\infty$  and such that there exists the limit  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f'(x)/g'(x)$ . Show that in this case the limit  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x)/g(x)$  exists and is equal to  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f'(x)/g'(x)$ .

Since the  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f'(x)/g'(x)$  exists we know that there exists  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $g'(x) \neq 0$  for  $x > a$ .

Let  $A = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f'(x)/g'(x)$ . We want to show that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x)/g(x) = A$ . In other words we have to show that for any  $\epsilon > 0$  there exist  $b \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $|f(x)/g(x) - A| \leq \epsilon$  for  $x > b$ . Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f'(x)/g'(x) = A$  we can find  $b \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $|f'(x)/g'(x) - A| < \epsilon$  for  $x > b$ . Choose now any  $x > b$  and apply the Cauchy theorem to functions  $f(x), g(x)$  in the interval  $[b, C]$  where  $C > b$ . We see that there exists  $y_C \in [b, C]$  such that  $\frac{f(C) - f(b)}{g(C) - g(b)} = \frac{f'(y_C)}{g'(y_C)}$ . Since  $y_C \geq b$  we see that  $|\frac{f'(y_C)}{g'(y_C)} - A| < \epsilon$ . So

$$\left| \frac{f(C) - f(b)}{g(C) - g(b)} - A \right| < \epsilon$$

for any  $C > b$ . Therefore  $\left| \frac{f(C)/g(C) - f(b)/g(b)}{1 - g(b)/g(C)} - A \right| < \epsilon$  for any  $C > b$ . In other words we see that the limit  $\lim_{C \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(C)/g(C) - f(b)/g(b)}{1 - g(b)/g(C)}$  exists and is equal to  $A$ . Since, by the assumptions,  $g(x) \rightarrow +\infty$  for

$x \rightarrow +\infty$  we see that the limit  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x)/g(x)$  exists and is equal to  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f'(x)/g'(x)$ .

5. Prove that for any  $x \geq 0$  there exists  $\theta(x)$ ,  $1/4 \leq \theta(x) \leq 1/2$  such that  $\sqrt{x+1} - \sqrt{x} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+\theta(x)}}$ .

Proof. We have  $\sqrt{x+1} - \sqrt{x} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+1} + \sqrt{x}}$ . Therefore  $\theta(x)$  satisfies the equation

$$\sqrt{x+1} + \sqrt{x} = 2\sqrt{x+\theta(x)}$$

or

$$2x+1+2\sqrt{x(x+1)} = 4(x+\theta)$$

. Since the right side is a monotonely increasing function of  $\theta$  to show that  $1/4 \leq \theta(x) \leq 1/2$  it is sufficient to check that

a)  $2x+1+2\sqrt{x(x+1)} > 4(x+1/4)$  and

b)  $2x+1+2\sqrt{x(x+1)} > 4(x+1/2)$ .

But a) is equivalent to an inequality  $x < \sqrt{x(x+1)}$  and b) is equivalent to an inequality  $x+1 > \sqrt{x(x+1)}$ . But both inequalities follow from the obvious inequality  $x < x+1$ .

6. Find coefficients  $a, b$  such that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} [x - (a + b \cos(x)) \sin(x)]/x^4 = 0$ .

Let  $f(x) := x - (a + b \cos(x)) \sin(x)$ . If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)/x^4 = 0$  then it follows from the L'Hopital's rule that that  $a, b$  should be such that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f'(x)/x^3 = 0$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f''(x)/x^2 = 0$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f'''(x)/x = 0$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f^{(4)}(x) = 0$ . In particular  $a, b$  should be such  $f'(0) = f''(0) = f'''(0) = f^{(4)}(0) = 0$ . This gives a system of linear equations on  $(a, b)$  which implies that  $a = 4/3, b = -1/3$ .

There is a faster way to find  $(a, b)$ . One can use the Taylor polynomials  $P^3(0, x)$  for  $\sin(x)$  and  $\cos(x)$ ,  $P_{\sin}^3(0, x) = x - x^3/6$ ,  $P_{\cos}^3(0, x) = 1 - x^2/2$ . This shows that  $f(x) = x(1 - x^2/6)(a + b - bx^2/2) + R(x)$  where  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} R(x)/x^4 = 0$ . Therefore  $a + b = 1, -b/2 = 1/6$ . This implies  $a = 4/3, b = -1/3$ .

7. Let  $U \subset \mathbb{R}$  be an open set such that  $\mathbb{R} - U$  is also open. Prove that either  $U = \mathbb{R}$  or  $U$  is empty.

Assume that both  $U$  and  $\mathbb{R} - U$  are not empty and show that this assumption leads to a contradiction.

Let  $a \in U, b \in \mathbb{R} - U$ . Then either  $a < b$  or  $b < a$ . Assume that  $a < b$ . Let  $X := [a, b] \cap U$ . Then  $X$  is a nonempty bounded subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  and we can define  $x := \text{lub}(X)$ . Let Since  $\mathbb{R} - U$  is open  $U$  is closed. Therefore  $X$  is closed and  $x \in X$ . Since  $U$  is open and  $x \in U$  there exists  $r > 0$  such that  $(x - r, x + r) \subset U$ . Therefore  $x + r/2 \in U$ . But this contradicts the definition  $x := \text{lub}(X)$ .

8. a) Let  $C$  be a compact set of normed vector space  $V$ ,  $X_a \subset C$ ,  $a \in A$  be a family of closed subsets of  $C$  such that for any finite subset  $\{a_1, \dots, a_N\} \subset A$  the intersection  $\bigcap_{1 \leq i \leq N} X_{a_i}$  is not empty. Show that the intersection  $\bigcap_{a \in A} X_a$  is also not empty.

Proof. We assume that the intersection  $\bigcap_{a \in A} X_a$  is empty and show that this assumption leads to a contradiction.

Let  $Y_a := V - X_a$ . Then  $Y_a$  is an open cover of  $C$ . Since, by the assumption,  $C$  is compact we can find a finite set  $\{a_1, \dots, a_N\} \subset A$  such that  $C \subset \bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq N} Y_{a_i}$ . But this implies that the intersection  $\bigcap_{1 \leq i \leq N} X_{a_i}$  is empty. A contradiction.

b) Construct a family of closed subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$  such that for any finite subset  $\{a_1, \dots, a_N\} \subset A$  the intersection  $\bigcap_{1 \leq i \leq N} X_{a_i}$  is not empty but the intersection  $\bigcap_{a \in A} X_a$  is empty.

Answer. Take  $A = \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $X_a := [a, +\infty]$