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Ph.D. QUALIFYING EXAMINATION

Paper 2

ANALYSIS

Time allowed : 3 hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. This examination contains a total of **TEN (10)** questions and comprises **THREE (3)** printed pages.
2. Answer **ALL** questions. The maximum score for this examination is 100 points.
3. Candidates may use calculators. However, they should lay out systematically the various steps in the calculations.

Question 1 [10 points] For each of the following statements, prove it if it is true and provide a counterexample if it is false.

- (a) Let $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function so that the directional derivative of f in any direction exists at $(0, 0)$. Then f is differentiable at $(0, 0)$.
- (b) Let U be a connected open set in \mathbb{C} and let $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be an analytic function. If there exists $z_0 \in U$ such that $\operatorname{Re} f(z_0) \geq \operatorname{Re} f(z)$ for any $z \in U$, then f is constant on U .

Question 2 [10 points] Let X be a compact metric space. Show that there is a sequence of open sets $(U_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ in X such that for any $x_0 \in X$ and any closed set F in X not containing x_0 , there exists n so that $x_0 \in U_n$ and $\overline{U_n} \cap F = \emptyset$.

Question 3 [10 points] Let f be a complex function that is analytic on an open set containing the closed ball $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| \leq 1\}$. Assume that $f(0) \neq 0$ and that $f(z) \neq 0$ for any z with $|z| = 1$. Suppose that $(a_k)_{k=1}^n$ are the distinct zeros of f in $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$, with respective multiplicities $(m_k)_{k=1}^n$. Show that

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{m_k}{a_k^2} = \int_C \frac{f'(z)}{zf(z)} dz - \frac{f'(0)}{f(0)},$$

where C is the circle $\{z : |z| = 1\}$, traversed once in the counterclockwise direction.

Question 4 [10 points] Let $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a Lebesgue integrable function. Denote Lebesgue measure by λ . Show that the series

$$s_n = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{k}{2^n} \lambda\left(\left\{x : \frac{k}{2^n} < f(x) \leq \frac{k+1}{2^n}\right\}\right)$$

converges absolutely for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = \int_0^1 f d\lambda$.

Question 5 [10 points] For any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, the n -th Rademacher function $r_n : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined by

$$r_n(t) = \begin{cases} (-1)^{k+1} & \text{if } t \in [\frac{k-1}{2^n}, \frac{k}{2^n}), 1 \leq k \leq 2^n, \\ 0 & \text{if } t = 1. \end{cases}$$

Show that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 f r_n d\lambda = 0$ for any $f \in L^1[0, 1]$. Here λ denotes Lebesgue measure.

Question 4 [10 points] Let U be an open subset of \mathbb{C} and let (f_n) be a sequence of analytic functions on U . Suppose that (f_n) converges uniformly on compact subsets of U to a function f . Let $w \in U$ be an isolated zero of f . Show that there exist $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ and a sequence (z_n) in U converging to w such that $f_n(z_n) = 0$ for all $n \geq n_0$.

Question 5 [10 points] Denote the Lebesgue measure and the Lebesgue outer measure on \mathbb{R} by λ and λ^* respectively. Let D be a subset of \mathbb{R} with $\lambda^*(D) < \infty$. Suppose that for any interval $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$,

$$\lambda^*(D \cap I) \leq \frac{1}{2} \lambda(I).$$

Show that D is Lebesgue measurable and has Lebesgue measure 0.

Question 6 [10 points] Let (Ω, Σ, μ) be a measure space and let $1 \leq p_1 < p < p_2 < \infty$. If $f \in L^{p_1}(\Omega, \Sigma, \mu) \cap L^{p_2}(\Omega, \Sigma, \mu)$, show that $f \in L^p(\Omega, \Sigma, \mu)$ and that

$$\int |f|^p d\mu \leq \left(\int |f|^{p_1} d\mu \right)^\alpha \cdot \left(\int |f|^{p_2} d\mu \right)^{1-\alpha},$$

where $p = \alpha p_1 + (1 - \alpha)p_2$.

Question 7 [10 points] Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a nonnegative Lebesgue integrable function such that $\int f d\lambda > 0$. Show that $\liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int |\cos(kx)| f(x) d\lambda(x) > 0$, where λ denotes Lebesgue measure.

[Hint: First consider characteristic functions of intervals.]

Question 8 [10 points] Denote Lebesgue measure by λ . Let $(f_k)_{k=1}^\infty$ be a sequence of nonnegative Lebesgue integrable functions on $[0, 1]$. Assume that $\int_{[0,1]} f_k d\lambda = 1$ and that there is a constant $M < \infty$ so that $f_k(t) \leq M$ for all k and all $t \in [0, 1]$. If $(a_k)_{k=1}^\infty$ is a nonnegative real sequence such that $\sum_{k=1}^\infty a_k = \infty$, show that there is a Lebesgue measurable subset E of $[0, 1]$ with $\lambda(E) > 0$ such that $\sum_{k=1}^\infty a_k f_k(t) = \infty$ for all $t \in E$.

[Hint: Egoroff's Theorem.]

Question 9 [10 points] Let (Ω, Σ, μ) be a finite measure space. Suppose that f is a nonnegative Σ -measurable function on Ω . Define $E_n = \{\omega \in \Omega : f(\omega) \geq n\}$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$. Show that f is integrable if and only if $\sum_{n=0}^\infty \mu(E_n) < \infty$.

Question 1 [10 points]

(a) Let $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function. Suppose that

$$f_1(x, y) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h, y) - f(x, y)}{h}$$

$$f_2(x, y) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x, y+h) - f(x, y)}{h}$$

both exist for all $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, and that f_1 and f_2 are both continuous on \mathbb{R}^2 . If

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_1(x, y+h) - f_1(x, y)}{h} = g(x, y)$$

exists for all (x, y) and g is continuous on \mathbb{R}^2 , show that

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_2(x+h, y) - f_2(x, y)}{h} = g(x, y)$$

for all (x, y) .

(b) Compute the integral

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{x}}{1+x^2} dx.$$

Question 2 [10 points] Let $f_n : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function that is differentiable on $(0, 1)$ for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$. Assume that

$$\sup_n \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} |f_n(x)| \quad \text{and} \quad \sup_n \sup_{x \in (0, 1)} |f'_n(x)|$$

are both finite. Show that there is a subsequence (f_{n_k}) of (f_n) that converges uniformly on $[0, 1]$.

Question 3 [10 points] Let $D = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ be the unit disc. Denote by \mathcal{F} the set of all analytic functions $f : D \rightarrow D$ such that $f(0) = f'(0) = 0$. Show that

$$M = \sup\{|f''(0)| : f \in \mathcal{F}\} < \infty$$

and find its value. Determine all functions $f \in \mathcal{F}$ such that $|f''(0)| = M$.

Question 6 [10 points] Let $f, g : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be integrable functions with respect to Lebesgue measure λ . Assume that for any $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\lambda(\{t : f(t) \leq a\} \cap \{t : g(t) \leq b\}) = \lambda\{t : f(t) \leq a\} \cdot \lambda\{t : g(t) \leq b\}.$$

Show that fg is integrable on $[0, 1]$ with respect to Lebesgue measure and that

$$\int_{[0,1]} fg \, d\lambda = \int_{[0,1]} f \, d\lambda \cdot \int_{[0,1]} g \, d\lambda.$$

Question 7 [10 points] Let $(f_k)_{k=1}^{\infty}$ be a sequence in $L^p(\mathbb{R})$, where $1 \leq p < \infty$. Suppose that $f_1 \leq f_2 \leq \dots$ and $\sup_k \|f_k\|_p < \infty$. Show that $(f_k)_{k=1}^{\infty}$ converges in L^p norm.

Question 8 [10 points] Let f be a Lebesgue integrable function on $[0, 1]$ and denote Lebesgue measure by λ . Suppose that $0 < \alpha < 1$. Show that for almost all $t \in [0, 1]$, the function $F_t(x) = f(x)|x-t|^{-\alpha}$ is integrable on $[0, 1]$. Define $g(t) = \int_0^1 F_t \, d\lambda$ where the integral exists and 0 otherwise. Show that $g \in L^1[0, 1]$.

Question 9 [10 points] Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a < b$ and let $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function. Define F to be the set of all $x \in (a, b)$ such that $f'(x)$ exists (as a real number). For each $k \in \mathbb{N}$, and any $p, q, q' \in \mathbb{Q}$ with $a < q < q' < b$, define

$$H(k, p, q, q') = \{x \in (q, q') : |f(y) - f(x) - p(y-x)| \leq \frac{|y-x|}{k} \text{ for all } y \in (q, q')\}.$$

Express F in terms of the sets $H(k, p, q, q')$ and deduce that F is a Borel set.

Question 10 [10 points] Suppose that $1 \leq p < \infty$. Show that there is a linear bijection $T : L^p[0, 1] \rightarrow L^p(\mathbb{R})$ such that $\int_{\mathbb{R}} |Tf|^p \, d\lambda = \int_0^1 |f|^p \, d\lambda$ for all $f \in L^p[0, 1]$, where λ is Lebesgue measure.

Ph.D. Qualifying Examination 2013 Jan (Analysis)

- (1) A function $\phi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to be locally Lipschitz if given any $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, there exist $\delta, L > 0$ (depending on x) such that

$$|\phi(z) - \phi(y)| \leq L|z - y| \quad \text{for all } z, y \in B_\delta(x) = \{t \in \mathbb{R}^n : |x - t| < \delta\}. \quad (*)$$

If ϕ is locally Lipschitz on \mathbb{R}^n , show that for any compact set $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, there exists a constant $M > 0$ (depending on K) such that

$$|\phi(x) - \phi(y)| \leq M|x - y| \quad \text{for all } x, y \in K.$$

- (2) Let $w \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ be strictly positive and $\{f_n\} : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be (Lebesgue) measurable functions such that

$$\lim_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{|f_n - f_m| > t} w(x) dx = 0 \quad \text{for any } t > 0.$$

Show that $\{f_n\}$ has a subsequence $\{f_{n_j}\}$ that converges a.e. to a measurable function $g(x)$.

- (3) Let Ω be an open connected subset of \mathbb{R}^3 . Suppose $u \in C_0^2(\Omega)$ and $f \in C_0(\Omega)$ are such that

$$\Delta u - 2u = f \quad \text{on } \Omega \quad \text{where } \Delta u = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2}.$$

Show that

$$\int |f|^2 dx = \int (|\Delta u|^2 + 4|\nabla u|^2 + 4|u|^2) dx \quad \text{where } \nabla u = \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right).$$

- (4) Compute (a) $\int_\gamma e^z/z^3 dz$, where $\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ with $\gamma(t) = e^{i6\pi t}$ and

(b) $\int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{d\theta}{a + \sin^2 \theta}$, $a > 0$. [12]

- (5) Let $f : \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 + y^2 < 1\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be such that f is continuously differentiable with $\nabla f(0, 0) = (1, 2)$ and $f(0, 0) = 0$. Show that there exist $\varepsilon > 0$ and $\gamma \in C^1(-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$ such that $\gamma(0) = 0$ and $f(x, \gamma(x)) = 0$ for $x \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$. Compute $\gamma'(0)$ if possible. [5]

- (6) Explain in details with the help of the fact that $\frac{1}{1+x} = 1 - x + x^2 - x^3 + \dots$ for $|x| < 1$ why

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k} = -\log 2.$$

(7) Let $w \in L^1[0, \pi]$ be nonnegative. Suppose $\{f_n\}$ is a sequence of (Lebesgue measurable) functions that converges a.e. to a function f . Suppose $\int_0^\pi |f_n|^2 w dx \rightarrow \int_0^\pi |f|^2 w dx < \infty$. Show that $\int_0^\pi |f_n - f|^2 w dx \rightarrow 0$. [10].

(8) Prove or disprove not more than six (6) of the following statements. [36]

(a) If ϕ is a function of bounded variation on $[a, b]$ for all $[a, b] \subset \mathbb{R}$ and g is a nondecreasing function on $[0, 1]$, then $\phi(g) \in BV[0, 1]$.

(b) Let \mathcal{C} be the Cantor set. Then $\chi_{\mathcal{C}}$ is Riemann integrable on $[0, 1]$.

(c) If $\{f_j\}$, $f : (0, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ are integrable such that

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \int_K f_j(x) dx = \int_K f(x) dx \text{ for all compact subset } K \text{ of } (0, 1),$$

then

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \int_{(0,1)} f_j(x) dx = \int_{(0,1)} f(x) dx.$$

(d) If $\{a_{i,j}\}_{i,j=1}^\infty$ is a collection of nonnegative real numbers, then

$$\sum_{i=1}^\infty \sum_{j=1}^\infty a_{i,j} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{\{i,j:i+j \leq N\}} a_{i,j}.$$

(e) Let $\{f_n\} : \mathbb{D} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be analytic. If there exists f on \mathbb{D} such that $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on any compact subset of \mathbb{D} , then f is also analytic on \mathbb{D} .

(f) Let $u : G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a harmonic function where G is an open connected set in \mathbb{C} . Then there exists $v : G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that the function $f(z) = u(z) + iv(z)$ is analytic on G .

(g) If a function is piecewise differentiable on $[a, b]$, then it is of bounded variation on $[a, b]$.

(Note that a function f is said to be piecewise differentiable on $[a, b]$ if there exist a partition $a_0 = a < a_1 < \dots < a_k = b$ of $[a, b]$ and $g_i : [a_{i-1}, a_i] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that its derivative g'_i is continuous on $[a_{i-1}, a_i]$ and $f = g_i$ on (a_{i-1}, a_i) for $i = 1, \dots, k$.)

(h) Let $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be locally integrable and for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, define

$$h(x) = \limsup_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{|B_r(x)|} \int_{B_r(x)} |f(y)|^{1/2} dy.$$

Then $|f(x)| \leq h(x)^2$ a.e..

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Ph.D. QUALIFYING EXAMINATION

Paper 2

ANALYSIS

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. This examination contains a total of **TEN (10)** questions and comprises **FOUR (4)** printed pages.
2. Answer **ALL** questions. The maximum score for this examination is 100 points.
3. Candidates may use calculators. However, they should lay out systematically the various steps in the calculations.

- (9) Prove or disprove **eight** of the following statements. [32 marks]
- (a) If $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a measurable function, then given any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a compact set $K \subset [0, 1]$ with $|[0, 1] \setminus K| < \varepsilon$ such that f is continuous on K .
- (b) If $\{f_n\}$ is a nondecreasing sequence of Riemann integrable functions on $[0, 1]$ that converges to 0 on $[0, 1]$, then $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int f_k = 0$.
- (c) If f is integrable on $[0, \pi]$, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^\pi f(x) \cos nx dx = 0$.
- (d) If f is a real function on \mathbb{R} such that it is of bounded variation on $[a, b]$ for all $-\infty < a < b < \infty$, then f is continuous everywhere except countably many points.
- (e) Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of harmonic functions on the open unit disk in \mathbb{R}^2 . If $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on the open unit disk, then f is also harmonic on the open unit disk.
- (f) Let U be a bounded open set in \mathbb{R}^n and $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. If there exists a sequence of continuously differentiable functions $\{f_n\}$ that converges uniformly to f on U , then f is differentiable on U .
- (g) If $f = u + iv$ (u and v are both real-valued functions) is an entire function such that $v(z) < 1$ for all z , then u must be a constant function.
- (h) If f is an analytic function on an open connected set \mathcal{D} (in the complex plane), then it is either a constant function or it will map open subsets of \mathcal{D} to open sets.
- (i) Let $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$ be a convergent series. Then $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \sin(k\pi x)$ converges if x is irrational.
- (j) Let $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be a continuously differentiable function such that the Jacobian metric ∇f has nonzero determinant at the origin 0. If $f(0) = (1, 0)$, then there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ such that for all $y \in \mathbb{R}^2$ with $|y - (1, 0)| < \varepsilon$, the equation $f(x) = y$ has at least one solution.

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Ph.D. Qualifying Examination 2011 January (Analysis)

- (1) If $\{\phi_k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is an orthonormal family of functions in a Hilbert space H with inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$, show the Bessel's inequality: [8 marks]

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |\langle x, \phi_k \rangle|^2 \leq \langle x, x \rangle \quad \text{for all } x \in H.$$

- (2) Let $\{x_n\}$ be a bounded sequence of real numbers and let S be the collection of limit points of convergent subsequences of $\{x_n\}$. Show that S is closed. [10 marks]
- (3) Explain why there is no differentiable function f on \mathbb{R} such that $f' = \chi_{\mathbb{Q}}$ on \mathbb{R} . [8 marks]
- (4) Let $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $a < b$ and $c < d$. Let $f : [a, b] \times [c, d] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function. Consider a subset of $C[a, b]$ (the collection of continuous functions on $[a, b]$)

$$S = \left\{ \int_a^x f(t, g(t)) dt, x \in [a, b] : g \in C[a, b] \text{ such that } g(t) \in [c, d] \text{ for all } t \in [a, b]. \right\}$$

Show that S is precompact in $C[a, b]$ (under the metric $d(\phi_1, \phi_2) = \sup_{x \in [a, b]} |\phi_1(x) - \phi_2(x)|$).

[5 marks]

- (5) Compute (and justify) **one** of the following: [10 marks]

(i) $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx,$

(ii) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n}.$

- (6) If f is a nonnegative measurable function on \mathbb{R}^n and $\int f(x) dx < \infty$, show that

$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\{x: f(x) > \alpha\}} f(x) dx = 0.$$

[7 marks]

- (7) Let $1 < p < \infty$ and $\{f_k\}$ be a bounded sequence of functions in $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ (i.e., there exists $C > 0$ such that $\|f_k\|_p \leq C$). If $f_k \rightarrow f$ a.e., show that

$$\int f_k g dx \rightarrow \int f g dx$$

for all $g \in L^q(\mathbb{R}^n)$ where $1/q = (p-1)/p$. [10 marks]

- (8) Let $1 \leq p < \infty$ and $1/q = (p-1)/p$. Let f be a measurable function on $[0, 1]$ such that

$$\left| \int_0^1 f g dx \right| \leq \|g\|_q \quad \text{for all step functions } g \text{ on } [0, 1].$$

Show that $\|f\|_p \leq 1$. [10 marks]

Question 5 [10 marks]

Suppose $f(u)$ is a continuous function on $[-1, 1]$. Show that

$$\int \int_{x^2+y^2+z^2=1} f(z) ds = 2\pi \int_{-1}^1 f(z) dz.$$

Question 6 [10 marks]

Suppose that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_n$ converges. Show that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_1 + 2u_2 + 3u_3 + \cdots + nu_n}{n} = 0.$$

Question 7 [10 marks]

Let $\phi(t)$ be a positive continuous function on $[0, \infty)$ and $f(t, x)$ be a continuous function of two variables such that $|f(t, x)| \leq \phi(t)|x|$. Suppose $\int_0^{\infty} \phi(t) dt < \infty$. Show that if the function y satisfies the inequality

$$|y(t)| \leq \int_0^t |f(s, y(s))| ds,$$

for all $t \in [0, \infty)$, then $y(t) \equiv 0$.

Question 8 [10 marks]

Consider the functions

$$f(x) = \left(\int_0^x e^{-u^2} du \right)^2$$

and

$$g(x) = \int_0^1 \frac{e^{-x^2(t^2+1)}}{t^2+1} dt.$$

Show that $f(x) + g(x) = \frac{\pi}{4}$ for all $x \geq 0$ and hence $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^x e^{-t^2} dt = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$.

END OF PAPER

Answer all the questions in this paper

Question 1 [20 marks]

Suppose f is a non-negative function on R^n such that $\int_{R^n} f = 1$. If $0 < p < 1$ is real number, show that

$$\int_E f^p \leq |E|^{1-p}$$

for every measurable set E . Similarly show that if E is a measurable set with $0 < |E| < \infty$, then

$$\int_E \log f \leq -|E| \log |E|.$$

Question 2 [15 marks]

Let Δ be the unit disk of the complex plane. Let f be analytic and bounded by M on Δ . If a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n are among the zeros of f , and define

$$B(z) = \prod_{k=1}^n \frac{z - a_k}{1 - \bar{a}_k z}.$$

- (1) Show that B is analytic on Δ and $|B(z)| = 1$ for $|z| = 1$;
- (2) Show that $|f(z)| \leq M|B(z)|$ for each $z \in \Delta$.

Question 3 [15 marks]

Show that the polynomial $P(z) = 3z^{15} + 4z^8 + 6z^5 + 19z^4 + 3z + 1$ has (i) 4 zeros for $|z| < 1$ and (ii) 11 zeros for $1 < |z| < 2$.

Question 4 [10 marks]

Let $\{f_k\}$ be a sequence of non-negative measurable functions on a measurable set E with $|E| < \infty$. Is it true that f_k converges to 0 on E in measure as $k \rightarrow \infty$ if and only if

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_E \frac{f_k}{1 + f_k} = 0?$$

If it is true, prove it. If it is not true, provide a counterexample.

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Qualification Examination

Analysis

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. This examination paper comprises **THREE (3)** printed pages.
2. This paper consists of **EIGHT (8)** questions. Answer **ALL** of them. Marks for each question are not necessarily the same; marks for each question are indicated at the beginning of the question.
3. Candidates may use calculators. However, they should lay out systematically the various steps in the calculations.

- (a) If f is absolutely continuous on $[a, b]$, then it is a difference of two continuous nondecreasing functions on $[a, b]$.
- (b) Let $D_1 = [\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}]$, $D_2 = [\frac{1}{3^2}, \frac{2}{3^2}] \cup [\frac{7}{3^2}, \frac{8}{3^2}]$,

$$D_3 = [\frac{1}{3^3}, \frac{2}{3^3}] \cup [\frac{7}{3^3}, \frac{8}{3^3}] \cup [\frac{19}{3^3}, \frac{20}{3^3}] \cup [\frac{25}{3^3}, \frac{26}{3^3}].$$

Define D_4, \dots similarly. Then $[0, 1] \setminus \cup_k D_k$ is countable.

- (c) Let $\{f_n\} : \mathcal{D} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a sequence of analytic functions. Suppose there exists f on \mathcal{D} such that $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on any compact subset of \mathcal{D} . Then there exists $N > 0$ such that f_n has the same number of zeroes (counting multiplicities) for $n \geq N$.
- (d) Given any compact set K and open set Ω , if $K \subset \Omega$, then there exists infinitely differentiable function f such that

$$\chi_K \leq f \leq \chi_\Omega.$$

- (e) Let f be an analytic function on a neighborhood of \mathcal{D} (see part (c)). If $|f(z)| < 1$ for $|z| = 1$, then there is a unique $z_0 \in \mathcal{D}$ such that $f(z_0) = z_0$.
- (f) If $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$ converges conditionally, then both $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k^+$ and $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k^-$ diverges. Note that $a_k^+ = \max\{a_k, 0\}$ and $a_k^- = a_k^+ - a_k$.
- (g) If f is a Borel measurable function on \mathbb{R}^n , then $f = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \chi_{A_k}$, for some $\{a_k\} \subset \mathbb{R}$ and Borel sets $\{A_k\}$ in \mathbb{R}^n .
- (h) $\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \det Df dx = 0$, if $f \in C_0^2(\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2)$, i.e., $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ such that it is twice continuously differentiable and with compact support.

- (7) Let Ω be an open set in \mathbb{R}^n and $f \in L^p(\Omega)$, $1 \leq p < \infty$. Define [14]

$$\|f\|_{p, \# , \Omega} = \inf \{ \|f - a\|_{L^p(\Omega)} : a \in \mathbb{R} \}.$$

Show that there exists $a \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $\|f\|_{p, \# , \Omega} = \|f - a\|_{L^p(\Omega)}$.

Suppose $\{\Omega_i\}$ is a sequence of bounded domains such that $\Omega_i \subset \Omega_{i+1}$ for all i and $f \in L^p(\Omega_i)$ for all i such that $\sup_i \|f\|_{p, \# , \Omega_i} < \infty$, show that the sequence $\{\|f\|_{p, \# , \Omega_i}\}$ is a convergent sequence and

$$\|f\|_{p, \# , \cup \Omega_i} = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \|f\|_{p, \# , \Omega_i}.$$

(Note that $\|f\|_{p, \# , \Omega}$ will be defined even if $f \notin L^p(\Omega)$ provided f is measurable.)

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- (1) If $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap L^q(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $1 \leq p < q \leq \infty$, show that for any $p < r < q$, there exists $0 < \lambda < 1$ such that [6]

$$\|f\|_{L^r(\mathbb{R}^n)} \leq \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)}^\lambda \|f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n)}^{1-\lambda} \quad \text{for all } f \in L^r(\mathbb{R}^n).$$

- (2) (i) State Schwarz's lemma.
 (ii) Find an 1-1 conformal mapping from \mathcal{D} onto the right half plane of \mathbb{C} (\mathcal{D} is the open unit Disc centered at the origin).
 (iii) Let $f : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be an analytic function such that $\operatorname{Re}f(z) \geq 0$ for all $z \in \mathcal{D}$ and $f(0) = 1$. Show that

- (a) $\operatorname{Re}f(z) > 0$ for all $z \in \mathcal{D}$;
 (b) $|f(z)| \leq \frac{1+|z|}{1-|z|}$ for all $z \in \mathcal{D}$;
 (c) $|f(z)| \geq \frac{1-|z|}{1+|z|}$ for all $z \in \mathcal{D}$. [15]

- (3) Let f be a continuous function on (a, b) such that $D_+f(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h} \geq 0$ exists for all $x \in (a, b)$. Show that $f(x_1) \geq f(x_0)$ for all $x_1 \geq x_0, x_0, x_1 \in (a, b)$. [6]

- (4) Let $u : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a monotone function such that $\int_0^\infty |u(r)|r^2 dr < \infty$. If $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is such that $f(x) = u(|x|)$ for all x . Show that [11]

- (i) f is measurable on \mathbb{R}^3 ;
 (ii) $\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} f dx = 4\pi \int_0^\infty u(r)r^2 dr$. (Note that f may not be continuous and thus you cannot use Polar coordinates directly to get the answer.)

- (5) Let $1 < p < \infty$. Suppose $\{a_i\}$ is a sequence of nonnegative real numbers and $\{B_{r_i}(x_i)\}$ is a sequence of open balls in \mathbb{R}^n . [12]

Let $g \in L^q(\mathbb{R}^n)$ where $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ and define

$$g^*(y) = \sup \left\{ \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |g| dx : B \text{ is any open ball containing } y \right\}.$$

For each i , let $B_i = B_{r_i}(x_i)$ and $3B_i = B_{3r_i}(x_i)$. Show that there exists $C_0 > 0$ such that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \sum_i a_i \chi_{3B_i}(x) |g(x)| dx \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} C_0 \sum_i a_i \chi_{B_i}(x) g^*(x) dx.$$

Hence show that there exists $C > 0$ (independent of a_i 's) such that

$$\left\| \sum_i a_i \chi_{3B_i} \right\|_{L^p} \leq C \left\| \sum_i a_i \chi_{B_i} \right\|_{L^p}.$$

- (6) Prove or disprove **SIX** (6) of the following eight (8) statements. [36]

(7) Let Ω be an open connected subset of \mathbb{C} and $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be analytic. Is it true that f is conformal (on Ω)? Explain what "conformal" means and justify your answer. [5]

(8) For each $z \in \mathbb{C}$, evaluate [10]

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{re^{i\theta} + z} d\theta dr.$$

(9) Prove or disprove **Six** (6) of the following statements. [30]

(a) If f is an entire function on \mathbb{C} , then the function $g(z) = \overline{f(\bar{z})}$ is also entire.

(b) Let Ω be an open connected set in \mathbb{C} and $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be an analytic function. If

$\gamma_1, \gamma_2 : [0, 1] \rightarrow \Omega$ are piecewise differentiable such that for all $t \in [0, 1]$,

$$|\gamma_1(t) - \gamma_2(t)| \leq \min\{t, 1 - t\}d(t)/2 \text{ where } d(t) = \inf\{|\gamma_1(t) - z| : z \notin \Omega\},$$

$$\text{then } \int_0^1 f(\gamma_1(t))\gamma_1'(t)dt = \int_0^1 f(\gamma_2(t))\gamma_2'(t)dt.$$

(c) If $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n(-1)^n$ converges, then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n x^n$ converges to a C^∞ function on $(-1, 1)$.

(d) There exists a harmonic function f on $\{z = (x, y) : 0 < x^2 + y^2 < 1\}$ such that

(i) $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0, |z| < 1} f(z) = 1$ for all $|z_0| = 1$;

(ii) $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} f(z) = -1$.

(e) If $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is Borel measurable, then for each $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $f_x(y) = f(x, y)$ is Borel measurable on \mathbb{R} .

(f) The series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \cos kx/k$ converges conditionally for almost all $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

(g) Let Ω be a connected open set in \mathbb{C} . If $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is continuous and $\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow \Omega$ is a rectifiable curve, then the line integral $\int_\gamma f dz$ is defined.

(h) Let $\{a_n\}$ be a bounded sequence of positive real numbers such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n+1}/a_n = 1$, then $\{a_n\}$ is a convergent sequence.

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(1) Let $n > 1$. For any $M > 1$, show that there exists $C_M > 1$ such that $\int_{MQ} |x|^{-1} dx \leq C_M \int_Q |x|^{-1} dx$ for any cube $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ where MQ is the concentric cube with M times length as Q and $|x|$ is the Euclidean norm of x . [6]

(2) Let $\langle X, d \rangle$ be a compact metric space. For any $0 < \alpha < 1$, let $C^\alpha(X)$ be the collection of continuous functions on X such that $\sup_{x \neq y} \frac{|f(x) - f(y)|}{d(x, y)^\alpha} < \infty$. Suppose $\{f_n\}$ is a sequence in $C^\alpha(X)$ such that

$$\sup_n \left(\sup_{x \neq y} \frac{|f_n(x) - f_n(y)|}{d(x, y)^\alpha} + \sup_{x \in X} |f_n(x)| \right) < \infty.$$

Show that for each $0 < \beta < \alpha$, $\{f_n\}$ has a convergent subsequence converging uniformly to a function $f \in C^\beta(X)$. [5]

(3) Let $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$. Use the function ∇f on $D = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : 1 < x^2 + y^2 + z^2 < 4\}$ to illustrate divergence theorem. (You will need to compute both integrals.) [7]

(4) Let $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be measurable and $g \in L^1[0, 1]$ such that $\int_{|f(x)| > t} |g(x)| dx \leq 3/t^2$ for all $t > 0$, show that $\int_0^1 |f(x)|^p |g(x)| dx < \infty$ for $1 < p < 2$. [6]

(5) (i) Let $1 \leq p < \infty$ and w be a nonnegative integrable function on $[0, 1]$. Show that given any interval $I = [a, b] \subset [0, 1]$ and $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a continuous function ϕ on $[0, 1]$ such that $\phi \geq \chi_I$ and $\int_0^1 |\phi|^p w(x) dx \leq \int_a^b w dx + \varepsilon$. Hence show that $C[0, 1]$ (space of continuous functions on $[0, 1]$) is dense in $L_w^p[0, 1]$ (with norm $(\int_0^1 |f|^p w dx)^{1/p}$). [11]

(ii) Assume that

$$\int_0^1 |f(x) - f_{av}|^p w(x) dx \leq C \int_0^1 |f'(x)|^p w(x) dx \quad \text{where } f_{av} = \int_0^1 f(x) dx \quad (1)$$

for all $f \in C^1[0, 1]$. Show that inequality (1) holds for all absolutely continuous functions f on $[0, 1]$ such that $f' \in L_w^p([0, 1])$. [10]

(6) Let $f, g \in L^p[a, b]$, $1 < p < \infty$. Show that the function $I(t) = \int_a^b |f(x) + tg(x)|^p dx$ is differentiable at $t = 0$ and compute its derivative. [10]

(8) Prove or disprove **Eight** (8) of the following statements. [32]

- (a) Suppose $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is locally Lipschitz continuous, that is, for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, there exist $L_x, \delta_x > 0$ such that

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq L_x|x - y| \text{ if } |y - x| < \delta_x.$$

Then $f(E)$ is measurable whenever E is measurable.

- (b) Let $f : \Omega \subset \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a continuous function. If Ω is simply connected and $\int_\gamma f(z)dz = 0$ for any closed contour γ in Ω , then f is analytic on Ω .
- (c) If $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is measurable and nonnegative, then $f = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} \chi_{A_k}$ where A_k are measurable sets.
- (d) Let $\Omega = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : 1 < |z| < 3\}$ and f is a bounded analytic function on Ω . If there exists $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$, $|z_0| = 2$ such that $|f(z)| \leq |f(z_0)|$ for all $z \in \Omega$, then $|f(z)| = |f(z_0)|$ for all $z \in \Omega$.
- (e) If $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable a.e., then its derivative is measurable.
- (f) If $\{a_k\}$ is a monotone sequence of real numbers that converges to 0, then $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \cos kx$ converges for almost all $x \in \mathbb{R}$.
- (g) If a function is continuous a.e., then it is measurable.
- (h) Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. If there exists $M > 0$ such that for all $a < x_0 < x_1 \cdots < x_n < b$,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n |f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})| \leq M,$$

then f is a function of bounded variation on $[a, b]$.

- (i) Let $\{f_n\}, \{g_n\}$ be two sequences of measurable functions on \mathbb{R} such that $f_n \rightarrow f$ a.e. and $|f_n| \leq g_n$ a.e.. If there exists a measurable function g such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int g_n dx = \int g dx,$$

then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int f_n dx = \int f dx.$$

- (j) Let $f : [-1, 1] \times [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. If for each $x, y \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$, there exists L such that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} |f(xt, yt) - f(-xt, -yt) - Lt|/t = 0,$$

then f is differentiable at $(0, 0)$.

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- (1) Let $\{a_n\}$ be a sequence of real numbers such that $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| < \infty$. If $\{b_k\}$ is a permutation of $\{a_k\}$, show that [10]

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k.$$

- (2) Let f be a finite measurable function on E with $|E| < \infty$. Show that given any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exist $N \in \mathbb{N}$ and a compact set $F \subset E$ such that $|E \setminus F| < \varepsilon$ and

$$|f(x)| < N \text{ for } x \in F. \quad [8]$$

- (3) If $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is bounded analytic on a deleted neighborhood of a point z_0 , show that z_0 is a removable singularity of f . [10]

- (4) Let $f_n, f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be measurable functions. If $f_n \rightarrow f$ in measure and $f_n \geq 0$ for all n , show that [8]

$$\int f dx \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int f_n dx.$$

- (5) Let f be an entire function. Suppose for each $z \in \mathbb{C}$, there exists $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $f^{(n)}(z) = 0$. Show that f must be a polynomial. [10]

- (6) Let $1 \leq p < \infty$. Show that there exists $C > 0$ such that

$$\left(\int \left| \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i \chi_{2Q_i} \right|^p dx \right)^{1/p} \leq C \left(\int \left| \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |a_i| \chi_{Q_i} \right|^p dx \right)^{1/p}$$

for any sequence of real numbers a_i , cubes Q_i ($2Q_i$ is the cube with the same center as Q_i but twice its length). [10]

- (7) (i) Let $R = [a, b] \times [c, d]$ be a rectangle in \mathbb{R}^2 . Let $u : R \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a twice continuously differentiable function. Prove (without using divergence theorem) by using integration by parts or direct integration that [8]

$$\int_R \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right) dA = \int_{\partial R} \nabla u \cdot \vec{n} ds$$

where \vec{n} is the outward unit normal vector.

- (ii) Let $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = f$ on a domain Ω in \mathbb{R}^2 . If ϕ is any C^∞ function that vanishes outside a compact subset of Ω , show that [4]

$$\int_{\Omega} \phi f dA = - \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla \phi dA.$$

Question 5 [10 marks]

Let h be a holomorphic function from the unit disk into itself. If $h(0) = h'(0) = \dots = h^{(k)}(0) = 0$ for some integer $k > 0$, show that $|h(z)| \leq |z|^{k+1}$ for all $|z| \leq 1$. Further show that there exists a z_0 with $|z_0| < 1$ such that $|h(z_0)| = |z_0|^{k+1}$ if and only if $h(z) = e^{i\theta} z^{k+1}$ for some constant $\theta \in [0, 2\pi)$.

Question 6 [10 marks]

Use two methods to show that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 \frac{n^{3/2} x}{1 + n^2 x^2} dx = 0.$$

Question 7 [15 marks]

Let $\{x_n\}$ be a strictly monotone increasing sequence with $x_0 \geq 0$. Show that the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{x_n}{x_{n+1}}\right)$$

converges if $\{x_n\}$ is bounded and diverges if $\{x_n\}$ is unbounded. (**Hint:** set $d_k = x_{k+1} - x_k$ for $k \geq 1$. Express the series in terms of d_n .)

Question 8 [15 marks]

Let $\varphi_1(x, y, z)$ and $\varphi_2(x, y, z)$ be continuously differentiable functions up to order 2 in the domain $\{(x, y, z) : x^2 + y^2 + z^2 < 4\}$. Show that (1) $\nabla\varphi_1 \times \nabla\varphi_2 = \text{Curl}(\varphi_1 \nabla\varphi_2)$ where $\text{Curl}V = \nabla \times V$ for any vector field V and $\nabla f = (\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial z})$ for any real valued function f ; (2) the total flux $\oint_{\Sigma} A \cdot d\vec{S}$ of the vector $A = \nabla\varphi_1 \times \nabla\varphi_2$ through the surface $\Sigma := \{(x, y, z) | x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1\}$ is zero, where $d\vec{S}$ is the oriented surface area element.

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Answer all the questions in this paper

Question 1 [10 marks]

(a) Consider the complex valued function $f(x + iy) = (x^2 + y^2) + (xy)i$. Is f holomorphic on \mathbf{C} ? If not, find a complex valued function $g(x + iy) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$ with $v(x, y) = 3x^2y - y^3$ such that $h := f + g$ is holomorphic on \mathbf{C} .

(b) Let h be the holomorphic function found in (a). Let Ω be the set $\{h(z) : |z| \leq 1\}$. Find the area of Ω .

Question 2 [10 marks]

Let f be a holomorphic function on \mathbf{C} . Suppose there exists a natural number n such that the limit, $\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(z)}{z^n} = M$, exists for some constant M . Show that f is a polynomial with degree less than or equal to n .

Question 3 [15 marks]

Let u be a continuous, positive, integrable function on the interval $[0, \infty)$. Suppose there exist two positive constants a and b such that $\frac{du}{dt} \leq u(a + bu)$. Show that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u = 0$.

Question 4 [15 marks]

Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of non-negative measurable functions on a measurable set E . If for any $\epsilon > 0$, $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\{x \in E : f_n(x) > \epsilon\}| < \infty$, show that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = 0$, *a.e.* on the set E . Is the converse also true? Justify your answer.

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