

**Math 131A, problem set 11**  
**Outline due: Fri May 11**  
**Completed version due: Mon May 14**  
**Last revision due: TBA**

**Problems to be done but not turned in:** 25.1, 25.3, 25.5, 25.7, 25.9, 25.11, 25.13, 25.15, 26.1, 26.3, 26.5, 26.7.

**Problems to be turned in:** All numbers refer to exercises in Ross.

1. Define  $g : I \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  by  $g(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^n x^n}{n^{3/2}}$ , where  $I$  is the interval of convergence of the series.

(a) Compute the radius of convergence of  $g$ , and compute  $I$  (i.e., what happens at the boundary?), with proof.

(b) Prove that  $g$  is continuous on  $I$ . (Suggestion: Weierstrass M-test.)

2. Ex. 25.10(a,b).

3. Ex. 25.12.

4. Define  $f : (-R, R) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  by  $f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2 x^n$ , where  $R$  is the interval of convergence of the series.

(a) Compute  $R$ , with proof.

(b) Find a closed (non-series) formula for  $f(x)$ , with proof.

(c) Find the exact value of  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n^2}{7^n}$ , with proof.

5. For the rest of this problem set, let

$$S(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}, \quad C(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n)!}.$$

You may use the fact (proven in PS10) that the radii of convergence of both  $S(x)$  and  $C(x)$  are each equal to  $\infty$ , and so  $S(x)$  and  $C(x)$  are well-defined functions on  $\mathbf{R}$ . You are **not** allowed to assume that  $S$  and  $C$  are sine and cosine, as our goal is to rigorously construct the sine and cosine functions.

(a) Prove that  $S(0) = 0$ ,  $C(0) = 1$ ,  $S'(x) = C(x)$ , and  $C'(x) = -S(x)$ . Justify convergence carefully.

(b) Prove that for  $u, v : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , if  $u'(x) = v(x)$ ,  $v'(x) = -u(x)$ , and  $f(x) = (u(x))^2 + (v(x))^2$ , then  $f'(x) = 0$ . What conclusion can you draw about  $f$ ?

(c) Prove that  $S(x)^2 + C(x)^2 = 1$  for all  $x \in \mathbf{R}$ .

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(d) For fixed  $a \in \mathbf{R}$ , use part (b) and the functions

$$\begin{aligned}S_a(x) &= S(x+a) - S(x)C(a) - C(x)S(a), \\C_a(x) &= C(x+a) - C(x)C(a) + S(x)S(a),\end{aligned}$$

to prove that, for all  $x \in \mathbf{R}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}S(x+a) &= S(x)C(a) + C(x)S(a), \\C(x+a) &= C(x)C(a) - S(x)S(a).\end{aligned}$$

6. The goal of this problem is to prove that there exists some  $x > 0$  such that  $C(x) = 0$ . Proceeding by contradiction, assume for the entirety of this problem that  $C(x) > 0$  for all  $x > 0$ .

- (a) Let  $m = S(1)$ . Prove that  $m = S(1) > 0$ .
- (b) Prove that  $C'(x) < -m$  for all  $x > 1$ .
- (c) Prove that for  $x > 1$ ,  $C(x) - C(1) < -m(x-1)$ . Obtain a contradiction with the assumption  $C(x) > 0$  for all  $x > 0$ .

7. **TO BE DONE BUT NOT TURNED IN.** The goal of this problem is to prove that  $S$  and  $C$  are periodic.

- (a) Let  $T = \{x \in \mathbf{R} \mid x > 0 \text{ and } C(x) = 0\}$  and  $x_0 = \inf T$ . Prove that  $C(x_0) = 0$ . (Suggestion: Use the Arbitrarily Close Criterion to construct a sequence in  $T$  whose limit is  $x_0$ . Why is  $C$  continuous?)
- (b) Prove that for  $0 < x < x_0$ ,  $S(x)$  is strictly increasing, and so  $S(x_0) = 1$ .
- (c) Now define  $\pi = 2x_0$ , which means that by definition,  $x_0 = \frac{\pi}{2}$ . Prove that for all  $x \in \mathbf{R}$ ,  $S(x+2\pi) = S(x)$  and  $C(x+2\pi) = C(x)$ . (Suggestion: Use both the previous parts of this problem and also problem 5.)