

**REAL ANALYSIS QUALIFYING EXAMINATION  
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*10 pts per question. Start each problem on a separate sheet. Results from Folland's book can be quoted without proof but should either be named or be carefully stated.*

1. Let  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$ . If

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = 0$$

for all rational numbers  $a < b$ , prove that  $f(x) = 0$  for almost all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

2. Let  $\{g_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  and  $g$  be in  $L^1(\mathbb{R})$  and satisfy

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|g_n - g\|_1 = 0.$$

Prove that there is a subsequence of  $\{g_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  that converges pointwise almost everywhere to  $g$ .

3. Let  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  be a measure space with  $\mu(X) < \infty$ . Let  $\mathcal{N} \subseteq \mathcal{M}$  be a  $\sigma$ -algebra. If  $f \geq 0$  is  $\mathcal{M}$ -measurable and  $\mu$ -integrable then prove that there exists an  $\mathcal{N}$ -measurable and  $\mu$ -integrable function  $g \geq 0$  so that

$$\int_E g d\mu = \int_E f d\mu, \quad E \in \mathcal{N}.$$

4. (i) State the closed graph theorem.  
(ii) If  $H$  is a Hilbert space and  $T : H \rightarrow H$  is a linear operator satisfying

$$\langle Tx, y \rangle = \langle x, Ty \rangle, \quad x, y \in H,$$

then prove that  $T$  is bounded.

5. Let  $f, g \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$ . Prove that  $h \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$ , where  $h(x)$  is defined by

$$h(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(y)g(x-y) dy$$

whenever this integral is finite.

6. Let  $f, g \in C[0, 1]$  with  $f(x) < g(x)$  for all  $x \in [0, 1]$ .

(i) Prove that there is a polynomial  $p(x)$  so that

$$f(x) < p(x) < g(x), \quad x \in [0, 1].$$

(ii) Prove that there is an increasing sequence of polynomials  $\{p_n(x)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  so that

$$f(x) < p_n(x) < g(x), \quad x \in [0, 1],$$

and  $p_n \rightarrow g$  uniformly on  $[0, 1]$ .

7. If  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $g \in L^3(\mathbb{R})$ , and  $h \in L^6(\mathbb{R})$  then prove that the product  $fgh$  is in  $L^1(\mathbb{R})$ .

8. (i) A point  $y$  in a metric space  $Y$  is isolated if the set  $\{y\}$  is both open and closed in  $Y$ . Prove that  $y \in Y$  is isolated if and only if the complement  $\{y\}^c$  is not dense in  $Y$ .

(ii) Let  $X$  be a countable nonempty complete metric space. Prove that the set of isolated points is dense in  $X$ .

9. Suppose that  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R})$  for all  $p \in (1, 2)$  and that  $\sup_{p \in (1, 2)} \|f\|_p < \infty$ . Prove that  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$  and that

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow 2^-} \|f\|_p = \|f\|_2.$$

10. Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  be a normed vector space with a subspace  $Y$  and let  $\|\cdot\|_1$  be another norm on  $Y$  that satisfies

$$\frac{1}{K} \|y\|_1 \leq \|y\| \leq K \|y\|_1, \quad y \in Y,$$

where  $K > 1$  is a fixed constant. Define  $S$  to be the set of linear functionals  $\phi : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfying

(a)  $|\phi(y)| \leq \|y\|_1, \quad y \in Y,$

(b)  $|\phi(x)| \leq K \|x\|, \quad x \in X.$

Prove the following statements:

(i)  $\|x\|_2 := \sup\{|\phi(x)| : \phi \in S\}$  defines a norm on  $X$ .

(ii) For  $y \in Y$ ,  $\|y\|_1 = \|y\|_2$ .

(iii) The norms  $\|\cdot\|$  and  $\|\cdot\|_2$  are equivalent on  $X$ .