

# USC Graduate Exams Complex Analysis

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# 1 Spring 1992

1. Compute the following integrals

(a)  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x^2 - x + 2}{x^4 + 10x^2 + 9} dx$

*Proof.* Let us integrate this in the complex plane with respect to complex variable  $z$ , consider the path  $\gamma$  from  $-R$  to  $R$ , then moving along  $Re^{it}$  for  $t \in [0, \pi]$  back to  $-R$ . Let us consider the contribution of the integral around the path  $z = Re^{it}$  for  $t \in [0, \pi]$ . Changing the variable of integration from  $z$  to  $t$  yields:

$$\left| \int_{t=0}^{2\pi} \frac{R^2 e^{2it} - Re^{it} + 2}{R^4 e^{4it} + 10R^2 e^{2it} + 9} Rie^{it} dt \right| \leq \int_{t=0}^{2\pi} \left| \frac{R^2 e^{2it} - Re^{it} + 2}{R^4 e^{4it} + 10R^2 e^{2it} + 9} Rie^{it} \right| dt \quad (1.1)$$

$$\leq \int_{t=0}^{2\pi} \frac{M}{R^2} R dt \quad (1.2)$$

$$= \frac{2\pi M}{R} \quad (1.3)$$

For some constant  $M \in \mathbb{R}$  and all  $R$ . Thus as  $R \rightarrow \infty$ , it follows that the integral of  $f(z) = \frac{z^2 - z + 2}{z^4 + 10z^2 + 9}$  around  $z = Re^{it}$ ,  $t \in [0, \pi]$  goes to 0 as  $R \rightarrow \infty$ . Thus,  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x^2 - x + 2}{x^4 + 10x^2 + 9} dx = \int_{\gamma} \frac{z^2 - z + 2}{z^4 + 10z^2 + 9} dz$ . We can calculate the integral on the RHS using the calculus of residues noting that  $z^4 + 10z^2 + 9 = (z^2 + 9)(z^2 + 1) = (z - 3i)(z + 3i)(z - i)(z + i)$ , thus poles that occur on the interior of  $\gamma$  are at  $z = i, 3i$ , both first order. We now have

$$\text{Res}(f, z = i) = \lim_{z \rightarrow i} (z - i)f(z) = \frac{i^2 - i + 2}{(i^2 + 9)(i + i)} = \frac{1 - i}{16i} = \frac{-1 - i}{16} \quad (1.4)$$

On the other hand, we also have

$$\text{Res}(f, z = 3i) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 3i} (z - 3i)f(z) = \frac{(3i)^2 - 3i + 2}{(3i + 3i)((3i)^2 + 1)} = \frac{3 - 7i}{48} \quad (1.5)$$

By calculus of residues our integral is thus  $2\pi i \left( \frac{-1-i}{16} + \frac{3-7i}{48} \right) = \frac{5\pi}{12}$ . □

(b)  $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{d\theta}{5 + 4 \sin(\theta)}$

*Proof.* We let  $\theta = 2 \tan^{-1}(z)$ . Then  $d\theta = \frac{2}{1+z^2} dz$ . We also have

$$\sin(\theta) = \sin(2 \tan^{-1}(z)) = \cos(\tan^{-1}(z)) \sin(\tan^{-1}(z)) = \frac{z}{z^2 + 1} \quad (1.6)$$

Thus, our integral is equal to

$$2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{5 + 4 \frac{z}{z^2 + 1}} \frac{2}{1 + z^2} dz = 4 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{5 + 4z + 5z^2} dz \quad (1.7)$$

Let us integrate this in the complex plane with respect to complex variable  $z$ , consider the path  $\gamma$  from  $-R$  to  $R$ , then moving along  $Re^{it}$  for  $t \in [0, \pi]$  back to  $-R$ . Let us consider the contribution

of the integral around the path  $z = Re^{it}$  for  $t \in [0, \pi]$ . Changing the variable of integration from  $z$  to  $t$  yields:

$$\left| 4 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{5 + 4z + 5z^2} dz \right| = \left| 4 \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{5 + 4Re^{it} + 5R^2e^{2it}} Re^{it} dt \right| \quad (1.8)$$

$$\leq M \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{R} \quad (1.9)$$

which goes to 0 as  $R \rightarrow \infty$ . Thus the integral around  $\gamma$  as  $R \rightarrow \infty$  goes towards the integral along the real line from  $-\infty$  to  $\infty$ . We now use the calculus of residues to evaluate the integral around  $\gamma$ . There is 1 pole located at  $z = \frac{-4 + \sqrt{4^2 - 4(5^2)}}{2(5)} = z = \frac{-2 + i\sqrt{21}}{5}$ .

$$\text{Res} \left( z = \frac{-2 + i\sqrt{21}}{5}; f(z) \right) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \frac{-2 + i\sqrt{21}}{5}} \frac{4/5}{z - \frac{-2 - i\sqrt{21}}{5}} = \frac{-2i\sqrt{21}}{21} \quad (1.10)$$

And thus the integral is  $2\pi i \left( \frac{-2i\sqrt{21}}{21} \right) = \frac{4\pi}{\sqrt{21}}$  □

2. Map the region inside the circle  $|z| = 1$  and outside the circle  $|z - \frac{1}{2}| = \frac{1}{2}$  conformally onto the unit disk  $\{z : |z| < 1\}$ .

*Proof.* Let us first consider the map  $f(z) = \frac{1}{z-1}$ . Let us consider how this affects the two circles. Every point on  $|z| = 1$  can be expressed as a  $e^{i\theta}$  for some  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ . We thus have

$$f(e^{i\theta}) = \frac{1}{e^{i\theta} - 1} \quad (1.11)$$

$$= \frac{\cos(\theta) - 1 + i \sin(\theta)}{(\cos(\theta) - 1)^2 + \sin^2(\theta)} \quad (1.12)$$

$$= \frac{\cos(\theta) - 1 + i \sin(\theta)}{2 - 2 \cos(\theta)} \quad (1.13)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} + i \frac{\sin(\theta)}{2 - 2 \cos(\theta)} \quad (1.14)$$

And it is clear that this region is mapped to the vertical line  $\text{Re}z = -\frac{1}{2}$ . On the other hand, every point on  $|z - \frac{1}{2}| = \frac{1}{2}$  is  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}e^{i\theta}$  for some  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$  so that

$$f\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}e^{i\theta}\right) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}e^{i\theta} - 1} \quad (1.15)$$

$$= \frac{\cos(\theta) - 1 + i \sin(\theta)}{\left(\frac{1}{2} \cos(\theta) - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{4} \sin^2(\theta)} \quad (1.16)$$

$$= \frac{\cos(\theta) - 1 + i \sin(\theta)}{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos(\theta)} \quad (1.17)$$

$$= -2 + i \frac{\sin(\theta)}{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos(\theta)} \quad (1.18)$$

Thus,  $f(z)$  maps the given region to a vertical strip between  $\operatorname{Re} z = -2$  and  $\operatorname{Re} z = -\frac{1}{2}$ . We now just have to map this strip conformally onto the unit disk by  $g(z) = \frac{4i}{3}(z + \frac{5}{4})$  which takes this vertical strip to the horizontal strip between  $\operatorname{Im} z = -1$  and  $\operatorname{Im} z = 1$ . The map  $h(z) = e^{\frac{\pi z}{2}}$  will give the right halfplane, and finally, the Mobius transformation  $z \mapsto \frac{z-1}{z+1}$  puts the half plane onto the unit disk. Thus, our total transformation is:

$$\frac{h(g(f(z))) - 1}{h(g(f(z))) + 1} = \frac{e^{\frac{\pi g(f(z))}{2}} - 1}{e^{\frac{\pi g(f(z))}{2}} + 1} \quad (1.19)$$

$$= \frac{e^{\frac{\pi \frac{4i}{3}(f(z) + \frac{5}{4})}{2}} - 1}{e^{\frac{\pi \frac{4i}{3}(f(z) + \frac{5}{4})}{2}} + 1} \quad (1.20)$$

$$= \frac{e^{\frac{\pi \frac{4i}{3}(\frac{1}{z-1} + \frac{5}{4})}{2}} - 1}{e^{\frac{\pi \frac{4i}{3}(\frac{1}{z-1} + \frac{5}{4})}{2}} + 1} \quad (1.21)$$

□

3. Determine all entire  $f(z)$  and  $\Re f(z) > 1$  and  $\Im f(z) < -1$ , where  $\Re$  and  $\Im$  denote the real and imaginary part.

*Proof.* We note that  $|e^{-f(z)}| = e^{-\Re f(z)} < e^{-1}$  so that  $e^{-f(z)}$  is bounded. Since  $f(z)$  is entire, it follows that  $e^{-f(z)}$  is also entire, and thus by Liouville's Theorem, it follows that  $e^{-f(z)}$  is a constant. Thus  $f(z)$  must also be a constant. Our final answer is  $f(z) = c$  where  $c = a + bi$  for some  $a > 1$  and  $b < -1$ . □

4. How many roots does the equation

$$z^{15} - 2z^{11} + 7z^3 - 2z^2 + 1 = 0 \quad (1.22)$$

have in the unit disk  $|z| < 1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $g(z) = z^{15} - 2z^{11} + 7z^3 - 2z^2 + 1$  and consider  $f(z) = 7z^3 + 1$ . Then when  $|z| = 1$ , we have  $|f(z)| \geq 6$ . On the other hand  $|f(z) - g(z)| = |z^{15} - 2z^{11} - 2z^2| \leq 1 + 2 + 2 < |f(z)|$ . Thus, by Rouché's theorem, it follows that  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$  have the same number of roots. It's clear that  $f(z) = 0$  implies  $z = -\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{7}}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{7}}e^{2\pi/3}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{7}}e^{4\pi/3}$ , all of which are in the unit disk. The given function thus has 3 roots in the unit disk. □

## 2 Spring 1993

1. Compute the following integral using residues

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{x^{\frac{1}{2}} \log x}{(x^2 + 1)^2} dx \quad (2.1)$$

*Proof.* □

2. Map the upper half disk  $\{z : |z| < 1, \Im z > 0\}$  conformally onto the unit disk  $\{z : |z| < 1\}$ .

*Proof.* Let us consider the mapping  $f(z) = z + \frac{1}{z}$  which maps the given region to the upper half plane. Now  $g(z) = iz$  maps the upper half plane to the right half plane. Finally  $h(z) = \frac{z-1}{z+1}$  maps the right half plane to the unit circle. Thus the composition yields:

$$h(g(f(z))) = \frac{g(f(z)) - 1}{g(f(z)) + 1} \tag{2.2}$$

$$= \frac{if(z) - 1}{if(z) + 1} \tag{2.3}$$

$$= \frac{iz + \frac{i}{z} - 1}{iz + \frac{i}{z} + 1} \tag{2.4}$$

$$= \frac{iz^2 + i - z}{iz^2 + i + z} \tag{2.5}$$

□

3. How many roots does the equation

$$z^{11} + 4z^{10} - z^9 + 12z^5 - 2z^4 + z - 1 = 0 \tag{2.6}$$

have in the annulus  $1 < |z| < 2$ .

*Proof.* We count the number of roots inside  $|z| < 2$  and subtract it from the number of roots inside  $|z| < 1$ .

First let  $f(z) = z^{11} + 4z^{10} \geq 2^{11}$  and  $g(z)$  the given function. Then  $|f(z) - g(z)| = |-z^9 + 12z^5 - 2z^4 + z - 1| \leq 2^9 + 12 \cdot 2^5 + 2^4 + 2 + 1 = 2^9 + 2^8 + 2^7 + 2^4 + 2 + 1 < |f(z)|$ . Thus, we can apply Rouché's theorem and conclude that  $g(z)$  has 10 roots in  $|z| < 2$ .

We now subtract from the roots that are in  $|z| < 1$ . Let  $f(z) = 4z^{10} + 12z^4$  so that  $|f(z) - g(z)| = |z^{11} - z^9 - 2z^4 + z - 1| \leq 6 \leq 12 - 4 \leq |f(z)|$ . Thus by Rouché's theorem,  $g(z)$  must have 4 roots in the unit disk. Combining everything there must be  $10 - 4 = 6$  in the annulus. □

### 3 Fall 1993

1. Define  $D_r = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < r\}$ , the open  $r$ -disk. Let  $M > 0$  and  $f_n : D_1 \rightarrow D_M$  for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$  be a sequence of analytic functions. Prove there is a subsequence which converges uniformly on  $D_{1/2}$ .

*Proof.* Since  $f_n$  analytic on the complex space, it is also holomorphic. It's also clear that  $D_r$  is uniformly bounded. Since  $D_{1/2}$  is compact, can apply Montel's theorem if we can prove that  $f_n$  is □

2. Prove or find a counterexample: Let  $D$  be a countable dense subset of  $(0, 1)$  and let  $G$  be an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  such that  $G \supset D$ , then  $G \supset (0, 1)$ .

*Proof.* We shall find a counterexample. Let  $D$  be the rational numbers in  $(0, 1)$ , which is dense and countable in  $(0, 1)$ . Now let  $G = (0, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}) \cup (\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, 1)$ . It's clear that  $G \supset D$ , and that  $G$  is open. However,  $G$  doesn't contain  $(0, 1)$ , thus giving us our counterexample.  $\square$

3. Let  $f$  be a non-constant meromorphic function which is doubly periodic (i.e. has two periods linearly independent over the reals). Prove that  $f$  has at least one singularity.

*Proof.* Since the reals is one dimensional vector space, I assume they mean "has two periods linearly independent over the complex numbers". Let the periods be  $a, b \in \mathbb{C}$ . Then every point in the complex plane can be expressed as  $z = xa + yb$  for some  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ . Since  $f$  is periodic, we have  $f(xa + yb) = f((x \pm 1)a, y(\pm 1)b)$ . Thus, we have  $f(z) = f(z')$  for some  $z'$  within the parallelogram with vertices  $0, a, a + b, b$ . If there is no singularity, since this is a compact set  $f$  will reach its maximum on this parallelogram, and thus  $f$  will have a global maximum. However, by the maximum principles,  $f$ , being a complex valued function, cannot attain a maximum on an open set. Thus  $f$  has at least one singularity.  $\square$

4. How many roots of the equation  $f(z) = 0$  lie in the right half-plane, where

$$f(z) = z^4 + \sqrt{2}z^3 + 2z^2 - 5z + 2 \quad (3.1)$$

*Proof.* We let our contour be the curve from  $iR$  to  $-iR$ , and around the semicircle of radius  $R$  in the right half plane. If we set  $g(z) = z^4 + 2$  then  $|g(z)| \geq R^4 - 2$  when  $|z| = R$ . On the other hand, when  $z$  is on the imaginary axis, we have:

$$f(it) = t^4 - i\sqrt{2}t^3 - 2t^2 - 5it + 2 \quad (3.2)$$

for  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . We let our  $|f(it)| = \sqrt{(t^4 - 2t^2 + 2)^2 + (\sqrt{2}t^3 + 5t)^2}$ . Let  $g(z) = z^4 - 5z$ . Let  $g(z) = z^4 + 2$   $\square$

5. Show that a function  $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  which is absolutely continuous is both uniformly continuous and of bounded variation.

*Proof.* Since  $f$  is absolutely continuous, for all  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that if a sequence of pairwise disjoint subintervals  $(x_k, y_k)$  of  $(a, b)$  satisfy  $\sum_k (y_k - x_k) < \delta$ , then  $\sum_k |f(y_k) - f(x_k)| < \epsilon$ . Letting  $k = 1$  proves that  $f$  is uniformly continuous.

Now we prove that  $f$  has bounded variation. Let define  $var_{(a,b)} f$  to be the variation of  $f$  on the interval  $(a, b)$ . By hypothesis, there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $\sum_k |f(y_k) - f(x_k)| < 1$  for all disjoint subintervals

$(x_i, y_i)$  and  $\sum_k |y_k - x_k| < \delta$ . Let  $N$  be an integer greater than  $\frac{b-a}{\delta}$ , and partition  $(a, b)$  into  $N$  evenly space intervals  $\left(a + \frac{j(b-a)}{N}, a + \frac{(j+1)(b-a)}{N}\right)$ . Thus,  $\text{var}_{(a,b)} f = \sum_{j=1}^N \text{var}_{\left(a + \frac{j(b-a)}{N}, a + \frac{(j+1)(b-a)}{N}\right)} < \sum_{j=1}^N 1 = N$ .  $\square$

6. Show that  $\frac{\sin x}{x} \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^+)$  and evaluate its  $L^2$  norm.

*Proof.* We first show  $\left(\int_0^\infty \left(\frac{\sin x}{x}\right)^2 dx\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} < \infty$ . By Lhopital's rule,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1$  so by continuity of  $\frac{\sin x}{x}$ , it follows that  $\left(\int_0^1 \left(\frac{\sin x}{x}\right)^2 dx\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} < \infty$ . Now we just have to show that  $\left(\int_1^\infty \left(\frac{\sin x}{x}\right)^2 dx\right)^2 < \infty$ . This follows from

$$\left(\int_1^\infty \left(\frac{\sin x}{x}\right)^2 dx\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} < \left(\int_1^\infty \frac{1}{x^2} dx\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} < \infty = 1 < \infty \quad (3.3)$$

Now to evaluate this integral, we can use calculus of residues. Since this function is even we can evaluate it from  $-\infty$  to  $\infty$  and divide the result by 2.  $\square$

7. Suppose  $f$  is a non-negative function which is Lebesgue integrable on  $[0, 1]$ , and  $\{r_n : n = 1, 2, \dots\}$  is an enumeration of the rational numbers in  $[0, 1]$ . Show that the infinite series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} f(|x - r_n|) \quad (3.4)$$

converges for a.e.  $x \in [0, 1]$ .

*Proof.* We will set  $g(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} f(|x - r_n|)$ , and prove that  $\int_0^1 g(x) dx < \infty$ . From this it will immediately follow that  $g(x) < \infty$  a.e. First, we note that  $\int_0^1 f(|x - r_n|) \leq \int_{-1}^1 f(|x - r_n|) = 2 \int_0^1 f(x)$ . Thus:

$$\int_0^1 g(x) dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{2^n} f(|x - r_n|) \quad (3.5)$$

$$\leq 2 \int_0^1 f(x) dx \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \quad (3.6)$$

$$= 2 \int_0^1 f(x) dx < \infty \quad (3.7)$$

as desired.  $\square$

## 4 Spring 1994

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

*Proof.* Let us integrate this in the complex plane with respect to complex variable  $z$ , consider the path  $\gamma$  from  $-R$  to  $R$ , then moving along  $Re^{it}$  for  $t \in [0, \pi]$  back to  $-R$ . Let us consider the contribution

of the integral around the path  $z = Re^{it}$  for  $t \in [0, \pi]$ . Changing the variable of integration from  $z$  to  $t$  yields:

$$\left| \int_0^\infty \frac{\log x}{1+x^2} dx \right| < M \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\log R}{|1+R^2|} dt \quad (4.1)$$

$$\leq M \frac{\log R}{R} \quad (4.2)$$

for some constant  $M$  and sufficiently large  $R$ . Thus, the integral around  $\gamma$  reduces to the portion of the integral on the real number line as  $R \rightarrow \infty$ . We can use the calculus of residues to evaluate this integral. There is only 1 residue at  $z = i$  evaluated as follows:

$$\text{Res}(f(z); z = i) = \lim_{z \rightarrow i} (z - i) \frac{\log z}{(z - i)(z + i)} \quad (4.3)$$

$$= \quad (4.4)$$

□

2. Show that  $[0, 1]$  cannot be written as the countably infinite union of disjoint nonempty closed intervals.

*Proof.* We prove this statement by contradiction. Suppose  $[0, 1]$  was the union of countably many closed intervals. Then removing the endpoints of each interval we get that there is a sequence of disjoint open intervals  $I_n$  such that

$$[0, 1] = \cup_{n=1}^\infty I_n \quad (4.5)$$

Letting  $I_n = [x_n, y_n]$  we consider the union of the endpoints;

$$U = \cup_{n=1}^\infty \{x_n, y_n\} \quad (4.6)$$

$U$  is clearly closed, and we can see that  $U$  is also perfect since every point in  $U$  is a limit point. We can now apply the Baire category theorem which shows that a perfect subset of a complete metric space can't be countable infinite. The result follows. □

3. Let  $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be analytic such that  $\Re f(z) > 0$  for all  $z$ . Prove

$$|f(z)| \leq |f(0)| \frac{1+|z|}{1-|z|} \quad (4.7)$$

*Proof.* We note the map  $g(z) = \frac{f(0)-z}{f(0)+z}$  maps the right half complex plane conformally onto the unit disk such that  $g(f(0)) = 0$ . Thus, we can apply Schwarz's lemma to the function  $g(f(z))$  to obtain  $|g(f(z))| \leq |z|$ . We also have

$$g^{-1}(z) = f(0) \frac{1-z}{1+z} \quad (4.8)$$



Thus,  $|f(z)| \leq g^{-1}(|z|) = f(0) \frac{1-|z|}{1+|z|}$  as desired.  $\square$

4. Let  $f : [1, +\infty) \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$  be Lebesgue measurable. Prove:

$$\int_1^\infty \frac{f(x)^2}{x^2} < +\infty \Rightarrow \int_1^\infty \frac{f(x)}{x^2} dx < +\infty \quad (4.9)$$

*Proof.* Define  $S_0 = \{x : f(x) < 1\}$ , and  $S_1 = \{x : f(x) \geq 1\}$ . It's clear that  $\int_1^\infty \frac{f(x)}{x^2} dx = \int_{S_0} \frac{f(x)}{x^2} dx + \int_{S_1} \frac{f(x)}{x^2} dx$ , so if we can bound each of the integrals then we are done.

First, we have  $\int_{S_0} \frac{f(x)}{x^2} dx \leq \int_{S_0} \frac{1}{x^2} dx < \int_1^\infty \frac{1}{x^2} dx < \infty$ .

On the other hand, we have  $\int_{S_1} \frac{f(x)}{x^2} dx < \int_{S_1} \frac{f(x)^2}{x^2} dx < \int_1^\infty \frac{f(x)^2}{x^2} dx < \infty$  by hypothesis. Putting everything together yields our desired result.  $\square$

5.

6. Let  $([0, 1], \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  denote the Lebesgue space on  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  the condition "f is continuous a.e." neither implies, nor is implied by, the condition "there exists a continuous function  $g : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f = g$  a.e."

*Proof.* Let  $g(x) = 0$  and define  $f(x)$  as follows:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases} \quad (4.10)$$

Then because  $\mathbb{Q}$  has Lebesgue measure 0, it follows that  $g(x) = f(x)$  a.e. However,  $f(x)$  is nowhere continuous.

Conversely, let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & \text{if } x > \frac{1}{2} \end{cases} \quad (4.11)$$

which will always differ from a continuous function  $g$  around an interval centered at  $x = \frac{1}{2}$ , and thus not equal to  $g$  a.e.  $\square$

7. An entire function is said to have finite order if there exists  $c > 0$  such that  $|f(z)| \leq \exp(|z|^c)$  for all  $|z|$  sufficiently large; the order of  $f$  is the infimum of all such  $c > 0$ . Prove that the following function is entire and has order  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

$$f(z) = \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{z}{k^2}\right) \quad (4.12)$$

*Proof.*  $\square$

8. Let  $\{f_n\}$  be a sequence of measurable functions on some measure space  $(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  with  $\mu(X) < \infty$ . We say the sequence is uniformly integrable if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_n \int_{|f_n| > R} |f_n| d\mu = 0 \quad (4.13)$$

- (a) Show that if there exists  $g \in L^1(X)$  such that  $|f_n(x)| \leq |g(x)|$  for all  $x, n$  then the  $\{f_n\}$  are uniformly integrable.

*Proof.* Since  $\mu(X) < \infty$ , and  $g \in L^1(X)$ , it follows that  $\text{ess sup}_{x \in X} g(x) < \infty$ . Thus, whenever  $R > \text{ess sup}_{x \in X} g(x)$ ,  $\int_{|f_n| > R} |f_n| d\mu = 0$  for all  $n$ , and thus  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_n \int_{|f_n| > R} |f_n| d\mu = 0$  as desired.  $\square$

- (b) Prove that if  $f_n \rightarrow f$  pointwise and the  $\{f_n\}$  are uniformly integrable then  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$  and

$$\lim_n \int f_n d\mu = \int f d\mu \quad (4.14)$$

*Proof.* We have the following inequality:

$$\int_X |f| d\mu = \int_{|f| \leq R} |f| + \int_{|f| > R} |f| d\mu < \int_{|f| \leq R} |f| + \sum_n \int_{|f_n| > R} |f_n| d\mu < \infty \quad (4.15)$$

where in the last inequality follows we assume  $R$  is sufficiently large such that  $\sum_n \int_{|f_n| > R} |f_n| < \infty$ . Thus  $f \in L^1(X)$  and by the Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem, it follows that  $\lim_n \int f_n d\mu = \int f d\mu$  as desired.  $\square$