

Math 402/502, Spring 2020  
Assignment 5, due Wednesday, February 27

**Problems to hand in:**

1. Decide if the following sequences of functions converge uniformly, pointwise but not uniformly, or neither on the given set  $E$ . Justify your answers.
  - (a)  $f_n(x) = x/n$ ,  $E = (0, 1)$ .
  - (b)  $f_n(x) = \sin(x/n)$ ,  $E = \mathbb{R}$ .
  - (c)  $f_n(x) = \sin(n\pi x)$ ,  $E = \mathbb{Q}$ .
  - (d)  $f_n(x) = x^2 + \frac{x}{n}$ ,  $E = [0, \infty)$ .
2. (a) Wade, Exercise 7.1.3.  
(b) Suppose  $f_n, g_n$  are sequences of functions on a set  $E \subset \mathbb{R}$ . Show that if  $f_n$  is a uniformly bounded sequence and  $g_n \rightarrow 0$  uniformly on  $E$ , then  $f_n g_n \rightarrow 0$  on  $E$ .
3. Wade, Exercise 7.1.7.
4. Wade, Exercise 7.2.5.

Hint: You may of course assume all the usual properties of sine and cosine from calculus. Begin by proving that  $|\sin x| \leq |x|$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , either the mean value theorem or the fundamental theorem of calculus are effective to this end. You may also find it helpful to use that  $\frac{1}{k(k+1)} = \frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{k+1}$ .

**On your own:** Wade 7.1.1, 7.1.6, 7.2.2 as well as the following problems:

1. Consider the following sequences of functions on the given domain  $E$  in the context of Exercise 1 above:
  - (a)  $f_n(x) = x^n(1-x)$ ,  $E = [0, 1]$ . Hint: Find the maximum of  $x^n(1-x)$  on  $[0, 1]$ .
  - (b)  $f_n(x) = \sin(x/n)$ ,  $E = [-b, b]$  with  $b > 0$ .
2. Suppose  $f_n \rightarrow f$  and  $g_n \rightarrow g$  uniformly on a set  $E \subset \mathbb{R}$  and let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  be a constant. Show that  $f_n + g_n \rightarrow f + g$  uniformly and  $\alpha f_n \rightarrow \alpha f$  uniformly on  $E$ .
3. Show that the series  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{(1+x^2)^k}$  converges pointwise to 0 if  $x = 0$  and to  $1 + x^2$  if  $x \neq 0$ . Is the convergence uniform on  $[-1, 1]$ ? Is the convergence uniform on  $[b, \infty)$  if  $b > 0$ ? Justify your answers.

**Reading:** Wade, sections 7.1-7.4.