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Ph.D. Comprehensive Examination (Analysis)

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Instructions: This exam contains 8 problems. Solve as many problems as you can. Carefully justify your answers. Aim for complete solutions (there will be little or no credit for partial answers).

1. Compute

$$\lim_{\mathbb{C} \ni z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin z}{z}.$$

Justify your answer.

2. Prove that all the roots of $p(z) = z^7 - 5z^3 + 12$ lie between the circle $|z| = 1$ and $|z| = 2$.

3. Evaluate

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(1+x+x^2)^2}.$$

4. Suppose that $g(z)$ is a function that is holomorphic in the unit disc $\mathbb{D} = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ and continuous on its closure, $\overline{\mathbb{D}}$. Assume that $\text{Im } g(z) \equiv 0$ on the unit circle $\partial\mathbb{D}$. Prove that $g(z)$ is a constant function.

5. Let $(a_n)_{n \geq 1}$ be a sequence of real numbers such that the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges. Prove:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_1 + 2a_2 + \dots + na_n}{n} = 0.$$

6. Let C be the unit circle centered at the origin, oriented counterclockwise, in the xy -plane. Calculate the line integral

$$\int_C \left(\left(1 + \frac{\arctan x}{1+x^4} + y^3\right) dx + (y \cos(y^3) + xy^2) dy \right).$$

7. Let (X, d) , (Y, ρ) be metric spaces. Let $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$ be a sequence of mappings $X \rightarrow Y$ that converges uniformly on X to $f : X \rightarrow Y$. Suppose for each positive integer n , there is a real number M_n such that $\rho(f_n(x), f_n(y)) \leq M_n$ for all $x, y \in X$.

Prove: there is a real number M such that $\rho(f_n(x), f_n(y)) \leq M$ for all $x, y \in X$ and all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

8. Show that there is a unique continuous function $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2}e^{-x} \left[\cos(x^2) + \int_0^1 e^{-y} f(y) dy \right].$$

Hint: use the Contraction Mapping Theorem.