

HW #5 SOLUTION

10.2 A

Let $f \in C[a, b]$.

For $t \in [0, 1]$, define $g(t) = f(a + (b-a)t)$

By Weierstrass thm., there exists a sequence (p_n) of polynomials on $[0, 1]$

s.t. $\lim (p_n(t) - g(t)) = 0$ uniformly on $[0, 1]$

Let $x = a + (b-a)t$. Then $t = \frac{x-a}{b-a}$

Then $\lim |p_n(\frac{x-a}{b-a}) - g(\frac{x-a}{b-a})| = \lim |p_n(\frac{x-a}{b-a}) - f(x)| = 0$ unif. for $x \in [a, b]$

This shows that the seq. of polynomials $(p_n(\frac{x-a}{b-a}))$ converge unif. to $f \in C[a, b]$

10.2 D

$f(x) \in C[0, 1]$. $f \in C[0, 1]$ and it is bounded on $[0, 1]$

By Weierstrass thm., there is a seq. of polynomials

$$p_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{m_n} a_k^{(n)} x^k$$

converging unif. to f .

$$\int_0^1 f(x)^2 dx = \int_0^1 f(x) \lim p_n(x) dx = \lim \sum_{k=0}^{m_n} a_k^{(n)} \int_0^1 f(x) x^k dx$$

We can INTERCHANGE LIMIT and INTEGRAL since seq. converges uniformly and f is bounded.

$$\text{Since } \int_0^1 f(x) x^k dx = 0 \quad \forall k, \text{ then } \int_0^1 f(x)^2 dx = 0 \text{ and } f = 0.$$

10.2 F

Since $f' \in C[0, 1]$, we can use Weierstrass thm.

there exists a seq. (q_n) of polynomials s.t. $(q_n) \rightarrow f'$ uniformly.

$$\text{We know: } f(x) = \int_0^x f'(u) du + f(0)$$

$$\text{then } f(x) = \lim \int_0^x q_n(u) du + f(0) \quad \text{UNIFORMLY}$$

$$\text{let } p_n(x) = \int_0^x q_n(u) du + f(0). \quad \text{Note: } p_n'(x) = q_n(x)$$

This shows that there is seq. $(p_n) \rightarrow f$ uniformly.

10.8 c

Let $f \in S_1(\Delta)$

For any subinterval $(x_i, x_{i+1}]$, $f|_{x_i, x_{i+1}} = m_i x + p_i$

By the continuity of linear splines, for each $x_i \in \Delta$,

$$m_i x_i + p_i = m_{i+1} x_i + p_{i+1} \quad (1)$$

Since f' is continuous, $f'|_{x_i, x_{i+1}} = f'|_{x_{i+1}, x_{i+2}}$, so that

$$m_i = m_{i+1} \quad \forall i$$

By eq. (1), it must also be $p_i = p_{i+1} \quad \forall i$

Thus $f = mx + p$

10.8 d

(a) By induction, we can show that (P_n) defined by $P_0 = \sqrt{x}$, $P_{k+1} = P_k + \frac{x - P_k^2}{2}$

converges to \sqrt{x} . It follows that the seq. $(Q_n) = (P_n^2)$ converges uniformly to $|x|$ on $[a, b]$

(b) By exercise 10.2 A, $abs_a(x) = |x-a|$ is a unif. limit of polynomials

(c) Span $\{1, abs_a : a \in \mathbb{R}\} = \{ \text{piecewise linear funcs of form } f(x) = m_0 + \sum_{x_i < x} m_i (x - x_i) \}$

Let f as above. Since f is a sum of convex functions, it is continuous.

Since f is a sum of convex functions, it is piecewise linear.

The derivative of f can only change at points $x = x_i \in \Delta$.

Hence any $f \in S_1(\Delta)$ is contained in span $\{1, abs_a : a \in \mathbb{R}\}$.

(d) Let $f \in C[a, b]$. Since f is continuous, given $\epsilon > 0$, we can find $\delta > 0$ s.t. $|f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$ provided $|x - y| < \delta$.

$$\omega(f, \delta) = \sup \{ |f(x) - f(y)| : |x - y| < \delta \} < \epsilon$$

Then we can find a line $Q(x)$ s.t. $|f(x) - Q(x)| < \epsilon$ if $x \in I_x$, where I_x is an interval of size $|I_x| < \delta$

By lemma 10.8.1, the linear spline $\sum_{i \in I} f$ satisfying

$$\|f - \sum_{i \in I} f\|_{\infty} \leq 2\epsilon$$

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