Note: $\mathcal{R}[a, b]$:= Riemann integrable functions on [a, b].

- Q1. (10 marks) Give an example of a bounded function on [a, b], a < b which is not Riemann integrable.
- (Note: We can choose a highly discontinuous bounded function that will not be integrable.)

Let $f : [a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$ be the function defined by f(x) = x (or 1) for $x \in \mathbb{Q} \cap [a,b]$ and f(x) = 0 for $x \in [a,b] - \mathbb{Q}$. $|f(x)| \leq b$ for all $x \in [a,b]$ and hence it is a bounded function. However the lower sum L(f) = 0 and $U(f) = \frac{b^2 - a^2}{2}$ (or b - a) $\neq 0$ since a < b, which implies that the function is not Riemann integrable.

Q2. (15 marks) Let $f : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$ be a bounded function and

$$\underline{I} = \underline{\int_{a}^{b}} f > 0.$$
⁽¹⁾

Prove that there exists an interval $I \subset [a, b]$ such that f > 0 on I.

Proof: Given that f is a bounded function. Let M > 0 such that $|f(x)| \leq M$ for all x. If $f(x) \leq 0, \forall x$, then it contradicts the equation (1) in the hypothesis. Fix an

$$\epsilon = \frac{\underline{I}}{2(M+b-a)} > 0.$$

and set $S = \{x \in [a, b] : f(x) \ge \epsilon\}.$

By definition, we have $L(P, f) \leq \int_{a}^{b} f$ for all partitions P. By (1), for $\underline{I}/2 > 0$, there exists a partition $P = \{x_0, x_1, \cdots, x_n\}$ such that $\underline{I}/2 < L(P, f) = \sum_{i} m_i(x_i - x_{i-1})$, where $m_i = \inf_{x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]} f(x)$.

Let $A = \{k : [x_{k-1}, x_k] \in S\}$ and $B = \{k : k \notin A\}$. Then

$$\frac{1}{2} < L(P, f) = \sum_{i \in A} m_i (x_i - x_{i-1}) + \sum_B m_i (x_i - x_{i-1})$$

$$< M \sum_{i \in A} (x_i - x_{i-1}) + \epsilon \sum_{i \in B} (x_i - x_{i-1}) < M \sum_{i \in A} (x_i - x_{i-1}) + \epsilon (b - a)$$

$$\implies \frac{1}{2(M + b - a)} < \sum_{i \in A} (x_i - x_{i-1})$$

Thus S contains finite number of intervals at which f is positive. Hence the proof. (Reference Ex 7.35 Apostol's book)

Q3. (15 marks) Let $f \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$. Prove that $|f| \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$ and

$$\left|\int_{a}^{b} f\right| \le \int_{a}^{b} |f|$$

Since $f \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$, for a given ϵ , there is a partition $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ of [a, b] such that $U(P, f) - L(P, f) < \epsilon$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} ||f(x)| - |f(y)|| &\leq |f(x) - f(y)| \\ \implies \sup_{x,y \in [x_{i-1},x_i]} (|f(x)| - |f(y)|)| &\leq \sup_{x,y \in [x_{i-1},x_i]} (f(x) - f(y)) \\ \implies \sup_{x \in [x_{i-1},x_i]} |f(x)| - \inf_{y \in [x_{i-1},x_i]} |f(y)|| &\leq \sup_{x \in [x_{i-1},x_i]} f(x) - \inf_{y \in [x_{i-1},x_i]} f(y) \\ \implies U(P,|f|) - L(P,|f|) &\leq U(P,f) - L(P,f) < \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

Thus $|f| \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$.

Let $c = \pm 1$. Then $\left| \int_a^b f \right| = c \int_a^b f = \int_a^b c f \le \int_a^b |f|$.

Q4. (10 marks) Let $f \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$. Prove that for

$$F(x) = \int_{a}^{x} f \quad (x \in [a, b]),$$

there is M > 0 such that

$$|F(x) - F(y)| \le M|x - y| \quad (x, y \in [a, b]).$$

We use the following property of Riemann integral: $\int_a^x f + \int_x^c f = \int_a^c$. Hence for x < y, $\int_a^x f - \int_a^y f = \int_y^x f$. Hence $|F(x) - F(y)| = |\int_x^y f|$. Since $f \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$, f is bounded. Hence there exists M > 0 such that $|f(x)| \le M$ for all $x \in [a, b]$. Thus by the previous question, $|\int_x^y f| \le \int_x^y |f| \le M|x - y|$. Similarly we prove for x > y.

Q5. (10 marks) Suppose that (X, d) is a metric space and $\{S_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ is a collection of subsets of X. Prove that

$$\cup_{\alpha} \overline{S_{\alpha}} \subset \overline{\cup_{\alpha} S_{\alpha}} = \cup_{\alpha} \overline{S_{\alpha}}.$$

If x_{α} is a point in S_{α} , then clearly it belongs to $\overline{\bigcup_{\alpha} S_{\alpha}}$. Suppose x_{α} is a limit point of S_{α} . Since $S_{\alpha} \subset \bigcup_{\alpha} S_{\alpha}$, we have $x_{\alpha} \in \overline{\bigcup_{\alpha} S_{\alpha}}$. Thus $\bigcup_{\alpha} \overline{S_{\alpha}} \subset \overline{\bigcup_{\alpha} S_{\alpha}}$.

Also, $S_{\alpha} \subset \overline{S_{\alpha}}$ implies $\cup_{\alpha} S_{\alpha} \subset \cup_{\alpha} \overline{S_{\alpha}}$ which implies $\overline{\cup_{\alpha} S_{\alpha}} \subset \overline{\cup_{\alpha} \overline{S_{\alpha}}}$.

Yet to prove that $\overline{\bigcup_{\alpha} \overline{S_{\alpha}}} \subset \overline{\bigcup_{\alpha} S_{\alpha}}$. Let x be a point in $\bigcup_{\alpha} \overline{S_{\alpha}}$. Then x is a limit point of S_{α} for some α . Every neighborhood of x contains a point in S_{α} other than x and hence contains a point in $\bigcup_{\alpha} S_{\alpha}$ other that x. That is, x is a limit point of $\bigcup_{\alpha} S_{\alpha}$.

Suppose x is a limit point of $\bigcup_{\alpha} \overline{S_{\alpha}}$. To prove that every neighborhood ball $B_r(x)$ of x

with radius r > 0 contains a point $z \neq x$ such that $z \in \bigcup_{\alpha} S_{\alpha}$. Since x is a limit point of $\bigcup_{\alpha} \overline{S_{\alpha}}$, neighborhood ball $B_{\frac{r}{3}}(x)$ contains a point $y \neq x$ such that $y \in \bigcup_{\alpha} \overline{S_{\alpha}}$, that is, y is a limit point of some S_{α} . Hence the neighborhood ball $B_{\frac{r}{3}}(y)$ contains a point $z \neq y$, $z \neq x$ such that $z \in S_{\alpha}$. Thus

$$d(z, x) \le d(z, y) + d(y, x) \le \frac{2r}{3} < r \implies z \in B_r(x).$$

Since $z \in S_{\alpha} \subset \bigcup_{\alpha} S_{\alpha}$ and r is arbitrary, hence the proof.

Q6. (15 marks) Prove or disprove the following:

(i) A discrete metric space is complete.-**True**

Let $\{x_n\}$ be a Cauchy sequence. That is, for every $\epsilon > 0$ there exists N > 0 such that $d(x_n, x_m) < \epsilon$ for all $n, m \ge N$. Since d(,) is a discrete metric, $x_n = x_m$ for all n, m. Thus every Cauchy sequence is a discrete metric space is a constant sequence. Hence they converge to the constant. Thus every Cauchy sequence converges in a discrete metric space. Hence discrete metric spaces are complete.

(ii) An infinite subset of a metric space has a limit point.-False

Consider the metric space X = (0, 1) with usual Euclidean metric d(x, y) = |x - y|. The sequence $\{\frac{1}{n}\}_{n>1}$ converge to 0 which does not lie in X. However, every infinite subset of a compact metric space has a limit point.

(iii) A non-empty complete metric space without isolated points is uncountable. True

Suppose X is a non-empty complete metric space without isolated points and is countable: $X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$. Consider $U_n = X \setminus \{x_n\}$. Since X has no isolated points, U_n is dense in X for all n. By Baire Category theorem, $\bigcap_n U_n$ is dense in X. However, by the construction, $\bigcap_n U_n$ is an empty set which gives the contradiction.

Q7. (15 marks) Prove that B[0,1] (with uniform metric) is not separable.

Let $d(f,g) = \sup_{x \in [0,1]} \{ |f(x) - g(x)| \}$ denote the uniform metric in the set B[0,1] of all bounded functions on [0,1]. Consider the uncountable family $S = \{f_x\}_{x \in [0,1]}$ of functions in B[0,1] defined as follows: $\forall x, y \in [0,1]$

$$f_x(y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = y \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

Clearly f_x are bounded functions. Also, $d(f_x, f_y) = 1$ if $x \neq y$. Hence for all x, 1/2-radius neighborhoods of f_x are pairwise disjoint.

Recall that a metric space is called separable if it contains a countable dense subset. Suppose there exists a countable dense subset $D = \{g_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of B[0, 1]. Then for every x, every neighborhood of f_x should intersect D. That is, 1/2-radius neighborhood N_x of f_x contains g_{n_x} for some $n_x \in \mathbb{N}$.

$$1 = d(f_x, f_y) \le d(f_x, g_{n_y}) + d(g_{n_y}, f_y) < d(f_x, g_{n_y}) + 1/2 \implies d(f_x, g_{n_y}) > 1/2.$$

Thus for every x we find $g_{n_x} \in D$, that is, there exists an uncountable subset of D which is a contradiction.

Q8. (10 marks) Prove that if $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$ are Cauchy sequences in (X, d), then $\{d(x_n, y_n)\}$ is a convergent sequence.

Since $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$ are Cauchy, for every $\epsilon > 0$ there exists positive integers N_1 and N_2 such that $d(x_{n_1}, x_{m_1}) < \epsilon$ and $d(y_{n_2}, y_{m_2}) < \epsilon$ for all $n_1, m_1 \ge N_1$ and $n_2, m_2 \ge N_2$. Let $N = \max\{N_1, N_2\}$. Then we have $d_n = d(x_n, y_n) \ge 0$ for all n and

$$d_n = d(x_n, y_n)$$

$$\leq d(x_n, x_m) + d(x_m, y_n)$$

$$\leq d(x_n, x_m) + d(x_m, y_m) + d(y_m, y_n)$$

$$\leq 2\epsilon + d(x_m, y_m) \forall n, m \ge N$$

Thus $|d_n - d_m| \leq 2\epsilon$. Thus $\{d_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in \mathbb{R} . Since \mathbb{R} is complete, $\{d_n\}$ is a convergent sequence.

Q9. (15 marks) Prove that a closed interval cannot be expressed as the union of a countable family of disjoint nonempty closed sets.

Suppose $\{F_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ is a countable (two or more) family of disjoint non-empty closed sets whose union is the closed interval I. Since F_1 and F_2 are two non-empty disjoint closed sets, there exists disjoint open sets U_1 and U_2 such that $F_i \subset U_i$ for all i = 1, 2. Let $I_1 \subset I \setminus U_1$ be a closed non-empty interval such that $I_1 \cap F_2 \neq \emptyset$. Then $I_1 \cap U_1 = \emptyset$ and hence $I_1 \cap F_1 = \emptyset$. By connectedness of the interval I_1 there exists infinitely many F_m such that $I_1 \cap F_n \neq \emptyset$. Now $I_1 = \bigcup_m (F_m \cap I_1)$ is a union of countably non-empty disjoint closed sets. Repeating the argument we find $I_2 \subset I_1$. Proceeding we have a decreasing sequence of nonempty closed intervals I_n such that $I_n \cap F_n = \emptyset$.

Claim: $\cap_n I_n$ is non-empty. Let $I_n = [a_n, b_n]$. Then the set E of all a_n 's is bounded above by b_1 and let x be the supremum of E. Since $a_n \leq a_{n+m} \leq b_{m+n} \leq b_n$, we have $a_m \leq x \leq b_m$ for all m. Hence $x \in I_m$ for all m. Hence the claim.

Let $x \in \bigcup_n I_n \subset I$. However, since $I_n \cap F_n = \emptyset$, $x \notin F_n$. But $I = \bigcup_n F_n$ contradicts $x \in I$.