

## 1. PROBLEM SET 8

**Problem 1.** Find a sequence of functions  $\{f_k\} \subset L^1(\mathbb{R})$  such that  $f_k \rightarrow f$  in  $L^1$  but  $f_k(x)$  does not converge to  $f(x)$  at any  $x$ .

**Problem 2.** Suppose  $1 \leq p, q < \infty$ . Show that  $L^p(\mathbb{R})$  is contained in  $L^q(\mathbb{R})$  if and only if  $p = q$ .

**Problem 3.** Define  $C_c^k(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to be the set of compactly supported continuous functions on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  whose  $j^{\text{th}}$  partial derivatives are continuous, for  $1 \leq j \leq k$ . Show that  $C_c^k(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is dense in  $L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

**Problem 4.** Suppose  $f, g \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$ . Define  $F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f$  and  $G(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x g$ . (Why are these defined?) Show that

$$\int_a^b Fg = F(b)G(b) - F(a)G(a) - \int_a^b fG.$$

**Problem 5.** Suppose  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Define the essential supremum of  $f$  by

$$ES(f) = \inf\{a \mid m(|f|^{-1}(a, \infty)) = 0\}.$$

Show that if  $|f(x)| < M$  almost everywhere, then  $ES(f)$  exists and is bounded above by  $M$ .

**Problem 6.** Suppose  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is integrable and  $|f(x)| < M$  almost everywhere. Show that  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$  for all  $p > 1$ ,

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |f|^p \right)^{1/p} = ES(f).$$

**Problem 7.** The previous problem justifies the usual definition of  $L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$  :

$$L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n) = \{f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid ES(f) < \infty\} / f \sim g \text{ if } f = g \text{ a.e.}$$

with the norm

$$\|f\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)} = ES(f)$$

and the distance

$$d(f, g) = \|f - g\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)}.$$

Show that  $L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is a metric space.