

Part I. Analysis

(1) Let  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable and such that there is no  $x$  for which  $f(x) = f'(x) = 0$ . Show that the set  $Z = \{x \in [0, 1] : f(x) = 0\}$  is finite. 10%

(2) Let  $f$  and  $g$  be continuous real-valued functions on  $[a, b]$ . Assume that  $f$  is nondecreasing and  $g$  and  $1 - g$  are strictly positive. Put 10%

$$\varphi(x) = \int_a^x f(t)g(t) dt \quad \text{and} \quad \psi(x) = \int_a^{a+G(x)} f(t) dt,$$

where  $G(x) = \int_a^x g(t) dt$ . Which is larger,  $\varphi(x)$  or  $\psi(x)$ ?

(3) Let  $m$  be the Lebesgue measure on  $[0, 1]$  and define  $\|f\|_p$ , with respect to  $m$ . 15%  
Find all functions  $\Phi$  on  $[0, \infty)$  such that the relation

$$\Phi\left(\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \|f\|_p\right) = \int_0^1 (\Phi \circ f) dm$$

holds for every bounded measurable non-negative real-valued  $f$ .

(4) Let  $X$  be a real Banach space with topological dual  $X^*$  and  $L \in X^* \setminus \{0\}$  15%  
and  $H := \{y \in X : L(y) = c\}$  where  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  is a constant. For  $x \in X$ , put  
 $d(x, H) = \inf\{\|x - y\| : y \in H\}$ . Show that  $d(x, H) = \frac{|L(x) - c|}{\|L\|}$ .

Part II. Algebra

Notation. In the following problem set,  $\mathbb{N}$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $\mathbb{R}$  denote the sets of natural numbers, integers, rational numbers and real numbers, respectively. The set  $\mathbb{Z}_m$  is the ring of integers modulo  $m$  ( $m > 0$ ). A *principal ideal ring* is a ring with the property that any ideal is generated by a single element. For a homomorphism  $f$  from an algebraic structure to another algebraic structure,  $\ker f$  is the kernel of  $f$  and  $Im f$  is the image of  $f$ , respectively. A *skew-field* is a (possibly) noncommutative field (i.e.,  $a \cdot b$  may not be the same as  $b \cdot a$ ). An element  $a$  in an algebra  $A$  is a *zero-divisor* if there exists some  $b \in A$  such that  $a \cdot b = 0$ .

(5) (i) Show that  $\mathbb{Z}$  is a principal ideal ring. 10%

(ii) Show that every homomorphic image of a principal ideal ring is also a principal ideal ring.

(iii) Show that  $\mathbb{Z}_m$  is a principal ring for every  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

(6) Let  $R$  be a ring,  $A$  an  $R$ -module and  $f : A \rightarrow A$  is an  $R$ -module homomorphism 10%  
such that  $f^2 = f$ . Show that  $A = \ker f \oplus Im f$ .

(7) Let  $A$  be a finite dimensional algebra over a field  $F$ . If  $A$  contains no nonzero 10%  
zero-divisors, then  $A$  is a skew-field.

(8) Show that every  $m \times n$  matrix over  $\mathbb{R}$  of rank 1 is a product of an  $m \times 1$  matrix 10%  
and a  $1 \times n$  matrix.

(9) Find all field automorphisms of  $\mathbb{Q}$ . 10%

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