

**MASTER'S COMPREHENSIVE EXAM IN  
Math 600 -REAL ANALYSIS  
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*Do any three problems. Show all work. Each problem is worth ten points.*

1. Let  $(M, d)$  be a metric space. Given a set  $A \subseteq M$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ , the  $\epsilon$ -dilation of  $A$  is defined by

$$A_\epsilon = \{y \in M : \exists x \in A \text{ such that } d(x, y) < \epsilon\}.$$

- (i) Show that  $A_\epsilon$  is an open set.  
(ii) Show that

$$\bigcap_{\epsilon > 0} A_\epsilon$$

is the closure of  $A$ .

2. (i) Define 'sequential compactness' of a set in a metric space. Is this equivalent to the (open cover) compactness? Answer 'yes' or 'no'.  
(ii) Show that if  $A$  and  $B$  are compact in  $(M, d)$ , then  $A \times B$  is compact in  $(M \times M, \rho)$ , where  $\rho$  is the product metric on  $M \times M$  defined by  $\rho((x, y), (u, v)) = d(x, u) + d(y, v)$  is sequentially compact.  
(iii) If  $K$  is compact in  $R^n$  (with the usual metric), show that the set  $\{tx + (1 - t)y : x, y \in K, 0 \leq t \leq 1\}$  is also compact.
3. (i) State the definition of connectedness of a set in a metric space.  
(ii) What is known about the continuous image of a connected set?  
(iii) Suppose  $C$  is a nonempty connected set in a metric space  $(M, d)$  such that every element of  $M$  can be joined to some element of  $C$  by an arc in  $M$ . Show that  $M$  is also connected. [Recall that an arc in  $(M, d)$  joining  $x$  and  $y$  is a continuous function  $\phi : [0, 1] \rightarrow (M, d)$  such that  $\phi(0) = x$  and  $\phi(1) = y$ .]
4. (i) State the definition of uniform convergence of a sequence of real valued functions on a set  $A \subseteq R$ .

(ii) Consider the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{x}{n}\right)^n$$

on  $R$ . Show that the series converges uniformly and absolutely on every interval of the form  $[-a, a]$  where  $a > 0$ .

(iii) Discuss the continuity and differentiability of the sum on  $R$ .

5. (i) State the definition of differentiability for a map  $f : R^n \rightarrow R^m$  at a point.
- (ii) Suppose that  $f : R^n \rightarrow R$  is differentiable with  $\|Df(c)\| \leq L$  for all  $c \in R^n$ , where  $Df(c)$  denotes the derivative of  $f$  at  $c$ . Show that for all  $a, b \in R^n$ ,  $|f(b) - f(a)| \leq L\|b - a\|$ . [Hint: Consider  $g : [0, 1] \rightarrow R$ ,  $g(t) = f((1 - t)a + tb)$  and apply the calculus mean value theorem.]
- (iii) Verify Item (ii) for the function  $f : R^n \rightarrow R$  defined by  $f(x) = \sum_1^n \sin^2 x_i$ .