

UM 204 : INTRODUCTION TO BASIC ANALYSIS  
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HOMEWORK 12

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1. Refer to the definition of the *exponential function*—denoted either as  $\exp(x)$  or  $e^x$  for any  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ —introduced in class. Show that for any number  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$x^r = e^{r \log(x)} \quad \forall x > 0$$

(refer to Homework 5 for the definition of  $x^r$ ).

**Hint.** Fix a point  $x_0 > 0$ . Consider the two auxiliary functions  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ :

$$\varphi_1(r) := x_0^r \quad \text{and} \quad \varphi_2(r) := \exp(r \log(x_0)).$$

Further, consider  $\varphi_1|_{[n, n+1]}$ ,  $\varphi_2|_{[n, n+1]}$ ,  $n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$

2. Does

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x} \int_{|x|^{3/2}}^x \exp(t^3) dt$$

exist? **Justify** your answer.

3. Let  $(Z, d)$  be a metric space and let  $\xi \in Z$ . Show that the function  $Z \ni z \mapsto d(z, \xi)$  is continuous.

4–6. Problems 3–5 from “Baby” Rudin, Chapter 7.

7. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be metric spaces and let  $\{f_n\}$  be a sequence of  $Y$ -valued functions. Assume that there is a function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  such that  $f_n \rightarrow f$  uniformly. Let  $a$  be a limit point of  $X$ . Show that for any sequence  $\{x_n\} \subset X \setminus \{a\}$  that converges to  $a$ ,  $f_n(x_n) \rightarrow f(a)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .