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Comprehensive Examination of Analysis

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1. Show that the sequence $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ defined recursively by

$$a_1 > \frac{3}{2}, \quad a_n = \sqrt{3a_{n-1} - 2}, \quad n \geq 2,$$

converges and finds its limit.

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2. Show that the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x \sin(n^2 x)}{n^2}$$

converges pointwise to a continuous function on \mathbb{R}

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3. Prove the following integral test. Assume that f is a positive and decreasing function on the interval $(0, \infty)$. Then the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n)$ converges if and only if the sequence $\{I_n\}$ is bounded, where $I_n = \int_1^n f(x) dx$.

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4. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous and satisfy

$$\lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 0.$$

Prove or disprove $f(x)$ is uniformly continuous on \mathbb{R} .

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6. Evaluate the following integral

$$\int_{S^2} z^4 y^2 d\sigma$$

where $S^2 = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1\}$ and $d\sigma$ is the area element on S^2 .

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7. Let f be a bounded function on $[a, b]$. Prove or disprove
- (a) If $f(x)^2$ is integrable on $[a, b]$ then f is integrable.
 - (b) If $f(x)^3$ is integrable on $[a, b]$ then f is integrable.

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8. Let $f(x)$ be a twice differentiable function on $[-1, 1]$ such that

$$f(0) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad f(1) = -f(-1)$$

Prove there is a $x_0 \in (-1, 1)$ such that $f''(x_0) = 0$.

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9. Let $C[0, 1]$ be the metric space consisting of all continuous functions on $[0, 1]$ with a metric d defined by

$$d(f, g) = \max\{|f(x) - g(x)| : x \in [0, 1]\}.$$

Let h be a differentiable function on \mathbb{R} with $|h'(x)| \leq 1/2$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. A map $T : C[0, 1] \rightarrow C[0, 1]$ is defined by

$$T(f)(x) = (h \circ f)(x), \quad \text{for all } x \in [0, 1] \quad \text{and } f \in C[0, 1].$$

Prove that T has a unique fixed point in $C[0, 1]$.