

Math 70100: Functions of a Real Variable I  
Homework 5, due Wednesday, October 8.

1. (*Folland 4.7.68*) For a space  $X$ , let  $C(X)$  denote the continuous functions from  $X$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  equipped with the uniform norm. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be compact Hausdorff spaces. Show that the algebra generated by functions of the form  $f(x, y) = g(x)h(y)$ , where  $g \in C(X)$  and  $h \in C(Y)$  is dense inside of  $C(X \times Y)$ .
2. (*Folland 4.7.69*) Let  $A$  be a nonempty set, and let  $X = [0, 1]^A$ . Show that the algebra generated by the coordinate maps  $\pi_a : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  and the constant function  $\mathbf{1}$  is dense in  $C(X)$ .
3. (*Rephrased Lang III §4 # 19*) Let  $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \geq 0\}$ , and let  $C_0(\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0})$  denote the continuous real-valued functions on  $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  which vanish at infinity. Prove that  $C_0(\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0})$  is the uniform closure of the collection of all functions of the form  $e^{-x}p(x)$ , where  $p$  is a polynomial. (*Lang's Hint; note he phrases this question differently:* First show that you can approximate  $e^{-2x}$  by  $e^{-x}q(x)$  for some polynomial  $q(x)$ , by using Taylor's formula with remainder. If  $p$  is a polynomial, approximate  $e^{-nx}p(x)$  by  $e^{-x}q(x)$  for some polynomial  $q$ .)