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**Instructions:** Answer all questions.

Let  $C[a, b]$  denote the space of complex-valued continuous functions on a compact interval  $[a, b]$ , equipped with the uniform norm  $\|f\|_\infty = \sup_{x \in [a, b]} |f(x)|$ . Let  $L^p[a, b]$  denote the space of complex-valued Lebesgue  $p$ -integrable functions.

1. (a) Show that the simple functions are dense in  $L^\infty[0, 1]$ .
- (b) Show that for every function  $f$  in  $L^\infty[0, 1]$ , there is a sequence  $(f_n)_{n=1}^\infty$  of continuous functions in  $L^\infty[0, 1]$  with the property that for every function  $g \in L^1[0, 1]$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 f_n g = \int_0^1 f g.$$

- (c) Must the sequence  $(f_n)_{n=1}^\infty$  from (b) be uniformly bounded?
2. For  $f \in L^1[0, 2\pi]$ , define  $F : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  by  $F(x) = \int_0^x f$  for  $x \in [0, 2\pi]$ .

- (a) Show that  $F$  is continuous.
- (b) Let  $(f_n)_{n=1}^\infty$  be a sequence in  $L^1[0, 2\pi]$  satisfying  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f_n - f\|_1 = 0$ . Define  $F_n : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  by  $F_n(x) = \int_0^x f_n$  for  $x \in [0, 2\pi]$ . Show that the sequence  $(F_n)_{n=1}^\infty$  converges uniformly to  $F$ .
- (c) Recall that the Fourier coefficients of a function  $g \in L^1[0, 2\pi]$  are

$$\widehat{g}(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} g(x) e^{-inx} dx, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Suppose that  $f$  has mean value zero, i.e.  $\widehat{f}(0) = 0$ . Show that for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,

$$\widehat{F}(n) = \frac{1}{in} \widehat{f}(n).$$

- (d) Show that if  $f$  is square integrable and has mean value-zero, then

$$F(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \widehat{F}(n) e^{inx}, \quad x \in [0, 2\pi],$$

where the convergence of the series is uniform.