

## Practice Final Exam

*The questions on this exam would have equal weighting*

1. (a) Give the definition of  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$  and use this definition to prove that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 - 1}{2n^2 + n + 1} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

- (b) Let  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  be two sequences of real numbers with

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0 \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = y.$$

Using only the definition of convergence prove that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n y_n = 0$

- (c) Prove that if  $x_n < 10$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$ , then  $x \leq 10$ .
2. (a) Carefully state the definition of the *supremum* (the least upper bound) of a set of real numbers and the *Axiom of Completeness* (the least upper bound axiom).
- (b) Let  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function with  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f(1) = 12$  and let

$$A := \{x \in [0, 1] : f(x) < 10\}.$$

- i. Prove that  $\alpha := \sup(A)$  exists.
- ii. Show that there exists a sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  in  $A$  with the property that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = \alpha$ .
- iii. Conclude that  $f(\alpha) \leq 10$ .

3. (a) Carefully state the *Monotone Convergence Theorem*.

- (b) Let  $\{x_n\}$  be defined recursively by  $x_1 = 1$  and  $x_{n+1} = \frac{3x_n + 2}{x_n + 2}$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Prove that  $\{x_n\}$  converges and find its limit.

4. (a) Carefully state the definition of a sequence of real numbers  $\{a_n\}$  being a Cauchy sequence.
- (b) Prove, using the definition given in (a), that Cauchy sequences are always bounded.
- (c) Carefully state the *Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem* and use this to show that Cauchy sequences of real numbers are always convergent.

5. (a) Show that if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{n} a_n = 2$ , then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  diverges.

- (b) Determine if the following series are absolutely convergent, conditionally convergent, or divergent. Justify your answers.

$$(i) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n}{n^2 + 1} \qquad (ii) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\log n}{n^{3/2}}$$

- (c) Find all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  for which the following two series converge and a closed form for their sum on this domain:

$$\text{i. } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{3^{n+1}} \qquad \text{ii. } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{nx^n}{3^{n+1}}$$

- (d) i. Find the value of  $f^{(2018)}(0)$  if  $f(x) = \log(1+x)$ .  
 ii. Find a polynomial that approximates  $e^x$  to within  $10^{-3}$  for all  $|x| \leq 1/2$ .

6. (a) Let  $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x_0 \in X$ , and  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .  
 Carefully state the  $\varepsilon$ - $\delta$  definition of what it means for  $f$  to be *continuous* at  $x_0$ .  
 (b) Use the definition from part (a) to prove that

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 5x - 2}{x + 1}$$

is continuous at 2.

- (c) Prove that if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = f(x_0)$  for all sequences with  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x_0$ , then  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0$ .

7. (a) Carefully state what it mean to say that a function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is differentiable at  $x_0$  and prove that if  $f$  is differentiable at  $x_0$ , then  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0$ .

(b) Let  $h(x) = \begin{cases} x^2, & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0, & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$ .

- i. Prove that  $h$  is discontinuous at all  $x \neq 0$ .  
 ii. Prove that  $h$  is differentiable at  $x = 0$ .  
 iii. What can you say about the continuity of  $h$  at  $x = 0$  and the differentiability of  $h$  at  $x \neq 0$ ?

- (c) Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

Prove that if  $f$  has a minimum at a point  $c \in (a, b)$ , and  $f'(c)$  exists, then  $f'(c) = 0$ .

8. (a) Carefully state the definition of uniform convergence of a sequence of functions  $\{f_n\}$  to a function  $f$  on a set  $A$ .

- (b) Prove that if  $\{f_n\}$  is a sequence of continuous functions defined on an interval  $[a, b]$  which converge uniformly to a limit function  $f$  on  $[a, b]$ , then  $f$  must also be a continuous on  $[a, b]$ .

- (c) Conclude from part (a) that if the power series  $\sum a_n x^n$  converges for all  $|x| < R$ , then for any  $0 < c < R$  it converges uniformly on the interval  $[-c, c]$ . Conclude from this that  $\sum a_n x^n$  in fact defines a continuous function on  $(-R, R)$ .

9. (a) State and prove the Weierstrass M-test.

- (b) i. Show that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x}{1+x^n}$  diverges for all  $x \in (0, 1]$ , but converges if  $x > 1$ .

ii. Let  $f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x}{1+x^n}$  on  $(1, \infty)$ .

A. Does  $f$  define a continuous function on  $(1, \infty)$ ?

B. Does the series defining  $f$  converge uniformly on  $(1, \infty)$ ?