

Math 3100
Sample Exam 2 – Version 0

No calculators. Show your work. Give full explanations. Good luck!

1. (15 points)

(a) Carefully state the definition of what it means to say that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ is convergent.

(b) i. Prove that if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ is convergent, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$.

ii. Is it true that if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$, then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ is convergent?
Give either a proof or counterexample.

(c) Let $b_n \geq 0$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

i. Prove that if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$ converges, then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n^2$ also converges and that in fact

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n^2 \leq \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \right)^2.$$

ii. Is it true that if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n^2$ converges, then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$ also converges?
Give either a proof or counterexample.

2. (20 points)

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

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

(b) Find all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ for which $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^n}{\sqrt{n}}$ converges.

(c) Find a sequence $\{a_n\}$ so that $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n x^n = \frac{x^2}{2+x}$ for all $|x| < 2$.

3. (15 points)

(a) i. Let $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ and $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Carefully state the ε - δ definition of what it means for f to be *continuous* at a point $x_0 \in X$.

ii. Use this ε - δ definition to prove that $f(x) = \frac{3-x}{x^2}$ is continuous at $x_0 = 2$.

$$\text{Hint: Use the fact that } \left| \frac{3-x}{x^2} - \frac{1}{4} \right| = \frac{|x+6|}{4x^2} |x-2|$$

(b) i. Let $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Carefully state the *sequential characterization* of what it means for g to be *continuous* at a point $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$.

ii. Prove, using the sequential characterization or otherwise, that the function

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}$$

is not continuous at $x_0 = 1$.