

**UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON**

**EXAMINATION FOR INTERNAL STUDENTS**

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**ASSESSMENT : MATH1101B  
PATTERN**

**MODULE NAME : Analysis 1**

**DATE : 15-May-12**

**TIME : 14:30**

**TIME ALLOWED : 2 Hours 0 Minutes**

All questions may be attempted but only marks obtained on the best four solutions will count.

The use of an electronic calculator is **not** permitted in this examination.

1. (a) State what it means for a sequence  $\langle x_n \rangle$  of real numbers to converge to a real number  $\ell$ .
- (b) Use the definition of convergence (not the combination theorem or any other theorems) to prove that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^3 + 1}{4n^3 + 3} = \frac{1}{4}.$$

- (c) Prove that every convergent sequence of real numbers is bounded.
- (d) Give an example of a bounded sequence that does not converge. Justify your answer.

2. (a) Prove that if  $\langle a_n \rangle$  and  $\langle b_n \rangle$  are sequences of real numbers such that  $|b_n| \leq a_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges, then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$  converges absolutely.
- (b) Determine (with explanations) whether each of the following series converges or diverges.

$$(i) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n}},$$

$$(ii) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{n^4 + 1},$$

$$(iii) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(2 - \frac{1}{n^2}\right),$$

$$(iv) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(n!)^2 \cos(2n)}{(2n)!}.$$

3. (a) State the definitions of  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = \ell$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = \ell$ .
- (b) Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 4x & \text{if } x < 1, \\ 6 - 2x & \text{if } x \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

Prove carefully, i.e. using  $\epsilon$  and  $\delta$ , that  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 1$ .

- (c) State what it means for a sequence of real numbers to be a Cauchy sequence.
- (d) Show that if  $\langle x_n \rangle$  is a convergent sequence, then it is a Cauchy sequence.

4. (a) State and prove the sandwich theorem for sequences.  
(b) Using any techniques at your disposal, compute the limit of the sequence

$$x_n = \sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n}.$$

- (c) Suppose  $S \subset \mathbb{R}$  is a set of real numbers which is nonempty and bounded above. Show that there exists a sequence  $\langle x_n \rangle$  with  $x_n \in S$  for all  $n$  and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \sup S.$$

- (d) Suppose  $f$  is a continuous function on a compact interval  $[a, b]$ . Prove that  $f$  attains a maximum value on  $[a, b]$ .

*Note: You may assume without proof that  $f$  is bounded on  $[a, b]$ .*

5. In this question, we consider the function  $\exp : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined via the power series

$$\exp(x) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}.$$

This function satisfies the relation  $\exp(x+y) = \exp(x) \cdot \exp(y)$ ; you may assume this without proof.

- (a) Show that  $\exp(x) > 0$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .  
(b) Show that  $\exp : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a strictly increasing function.  
(c) Show that for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exists a constant  $C > 0$  such that

$$\exp(x) \geq Cx^n$$

for all  $x \geq 0$ .

- (d) Show that for any natural number  $n$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} x^n \exp(-x) = 0$ .

6. (a) State the continuum property of the real numbers.  
(b) Let  $S$  denote the set of all *rational* numbers  $x$  satisfying  $x^2 \leq 3$ . What is  $\sup S$ ? Does  $\max S$  exist? Explain briefly.  
(c) Suppose  $a < b$ ,  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous function and  $\lambda$  is a real number with

$$f(a) < \lambda < f(b).$$

Let  $S = \{x \in [a, b] \mid f(x) < \lambda\}$ , and suppose  $M \in [a, b]$  is an upper bound for  $S$ . Show that  $f(M) \geq \lambda$ .

- (d) Prove that there does not exist any continuous function  $f : [-2, 2] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfying

$$(x^2 - 4)[f(x)]^5 + xf(x) = 1 \quad \text{for all } x \in [-2, 2].$$