



UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

**SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELORS OF SCIENCE IN
MATHEMATICS, BACHELORS OF ARTS (MATHS-ECONS)
(MAY-JULY 2021)
MATH 206: INTRODUCTION TO REAL ANALYSIS**

STREAMS: ``as above`` Y2S2

TIME: 2HRS

DAY/DATE:

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INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer question **ONE** and **TWO** other questions
- Sketch maps and diagrams may be used whenever they help to illustrate your answer
- Do not write on the question paper
- Write your answers legibly and use your time wisely

QUESTION ONE: (30 MARKS)(a) Find if the following sets are bounded or not and if bounded find the *sup*s and *inf*s

(i) $S_1 = \{x \in \mathbb{R}: 3 \leq x < 7\}$ (3 marks)

(ii) $S_2 = \left\{1 + (-1)^n \frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbf{N}\right\}$ (3 marks)

(iii) $S_2 = \{1 + (-1)^n \cdot n : n \in \mathbf{N}\}$ (3 marks)

(b) Determine the accumulation points of each of the set of real numbers

(i) The set of natural numbers \mathbf{N} ;(ii) $(a, b]$

(iii) The set of irrational points (3 marks)

(c) Let $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be given by $A = \{x \in \mathbb{R}: 0 < x \leq 1\}$. Show that the element $\frac{1}{2} \in A$ is an interior point of A whereas 1 is not (4 marks)(d) Show that the subset $A \subset \mathbb{R}$ is closed if and only if $A = \bar{A}$ (4 marks)

(e) Show that the set of squares of whole numbers is countable (3 marks)

(f) Let S be a non-empty subset of \mathbb{R} . Prove that the real number A is the supremum of S if and only if both the following conditions are satisfied

(i) $x \leq A \quad \forall x \in S$

(ii) $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \quad \exists x' \in S : A - \varepsilon < x' \leq A$ (4 marks)

(a) State without proof the following properties for real numbers.

(i) Completeness axiom (2 marks)

(ii) Archimedean Property (1 mark)

QUESTION TWO: (20 MARKS)

(a) Prove that $\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n-1}$ for any integer $n \geq 1$ is an irrational number (4 marks)

(b) Given that $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$. Show that,

(i) If $x \neq 0$ and $xy = xz$ then, $y = z$ (4 marks)

(ii) If $x < y$ then, $\frac{1}{y} < \frac{1}{x}$ (4 marks)

(iii) $x < y$ if and only if $x^2 < y^2$ (4 marks)

(c) Prove that the set of real numbers \mathbb{R} is uncountable (4 marks)

QUESTION THREE: (20 MARKS)

(a) Using the $\varepsilon - \delta$ definition of limit of a function, prove that

(i) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(-1)^n}{n+5} \right) = 0$ (4 marks)

(ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (x^3 + x - 10) = 0$ (4 marks)

(iii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^{2x} = \infty$ (4 marks)

(iv) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{3n-7}{7n+9} \right) = \frac{3}{7}$ (4 marks)

(b) Using the first principle show that the derivative of the function $y = x^3 - 5x$ is $3x^2 - 5$ (4 marks)

QUESTION FOUR: (20 MARKS)

(a) Prove that if the limit of a function exists then that limit is unique (4 marks)

(b) Determine whether the function $f(x) = x^2$ is continuous at the point $x=1$;

$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & 0 \leq x < 1 \\ \frac{1}{2}x & 1 \leq x < 2 \end{cases}$ is continuous at $x=1$ (4 marks)

(c) Using the function $f(x) = x^{\frac{1}{3}}$ at the point $x = 0$, show that the property of continuity does not necessarily imply differentiability. (7 marks)

(d) Define an open subset A of \mathbb{R} . Hence show that A is open iff $A = A^{\circ}$ (5 marks)

QUESTION FIVE: (20 MARKS)

(a) Define a Cauchy sequence (x_n) in \mathbb{R} . Hence prove that if a sequence (x_n) is convergent then it is Cauchy (6 marks)

(b) Let (x_n) be a sequence of real numbers prove that if $x_n \rightarrow x$ then, $|x_n| \rightarrow |x|$. (4 marks)

(c) When is a sequence (x_n) said to be bounded?. Hence prove that every convergent sequence is bounded, but the converse of this does not always hold (10 marks)

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