



**EASTERN UNIVERSITY, SRI LANKA**  
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**March/April' 2008** (b)  
**SECOND SEMESTER**  
**MT 102 - REAL ANALYSIS**  
**Proper & Repeat**



Answer all questions

Time: Three hours

- Q1. (a) Define the terms *Supremum* and *Infimum* of a bounded subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ . [10 Marks]
- (b) Prove that an upper bound  $u$  of a non-empty set  $S$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  is the supremum of  $S$  if and only if for each  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $s_\varepsilon \in S$  such that  $u - \varepsilon < s_\varepsilon$ .  
[25 Marks]
- (c) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$  that are bounded, and let  
 $A + B = \{a + b : a \in A, b \in A\}$ . Prove that  
 $\sup(A + B) = \sup A + \sup B$ . [30 Marks]
- (d) Let  $X$  be a non-empty set, and let  $f$  and  $g$  be two functions defined on  $X$  and have bounded ranges in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Show that  
 $\sup\{f(x) + g(x) : x \in X\} \leq \sup\{f(x) : x \in X\} + \sup\{g(x) : x \in X\}$ .  
Give examples to show that this inequality can be either equality or strict inequality. [35 Marks]
- Q2. (a) Give the formal definition of the notion of a sequence of real numbers converging to a limit. Use this definition to prove that the sequence  $1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}, \dots$  converges to a limit, which you should state. [30 Marks]

(b) Use the definition of a limit to show that if  $x_n$  and  $y_n$  are sequences with  $x_n \rightarrow x$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $y_n \rightarrow y$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  then  $x_n + y_n \rightarrow x + y$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . [25 Marks]

(c) Prove that, every convergent sequence of real numbers is bounded. [30 Marks]

(d) Is it true that every bounded sequence of real numbers is convergent? Justify your answer. [15 Marks]

Q3. (a) Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  with  $x_0 \in A$  and let  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function. Define what it means to say that the limit of  $f$  at  $x_0$  is  $\ell$ . (ie.,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = \ell$ ) [10 Marks]

Using the definition, Show that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \left( \frac{x^3 - 4}{x^2 + 1} \right) = \frac{4}{5} \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{x^2}{|x|} \right) = 0 \quad (x \neq 0) \quad [40 \text{ Marks}]$$

(b) Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ . Prove that the following conditions are equivalent:

i.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = \ell$  exists finitely.

ii. For every sequence  $(x_n)$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  that converges to  $c$  such that  $x_n \neq c$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the sequence  $(f(x_n))$  converges to  $\ell$ . [50 Marks]

Q4. (a) Give the formal definition of what it means for a real-valued function  $f$  to be continuous at a point ' $a$ ' in its domain. [15 Marks]

Prove that a function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $f(x) = \cos x$ ,  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$  is continuous at every point in  $\mathbb{R}$ . [20 Marks]

(b) Let  $I = [a, b]$  be a closed and bounded interval with  $a < b$  and let  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be continuous on  $I$ . Prove that  $f$  is bounded on  $I$ . [35 Marks]

(c) State the *Intermediate Value Theorem* and use it to show that the equation  $2x^2(x + 2) - 1 = 0$  has a root in each of the intervals  $(-2, -1)$ ,  $(-1, 0)$  and  $(0, 1)$ . [30 Marks]

Q5. (a) Give the definition of a function  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  being differentiable at  $c \in (a, b)$ . Define  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  as  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ , for  $x \geq 0$ . Using the definition, show that  $f'(c) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{c}}$ , for  $c > 0$ . [35 Marks]

(b) Give an example of a continuous function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  which is not differentiable at  $x = 2$ . Prove that your function is not differentiable at  $x = 2$ .

[25 Marks]

(c) State the *Mean Value Theorem*.

Apply the Mean Value Theorem to the function  $e^x$  on  $[0, b]$ , where  $0 < b$ , to show that

$$b < e^b - 1 < be^b. \quad [40 \text{ Marks}]$$

Q6. (a) State the *Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem* for sequence of real numbers.

[15 Marks]

(b) Give formal definition of what it means for a sequence of real numbers to be a Cauchy sequence. [15 Marks]

(c) Prove that a sequence of real numbers is convergent if and only if it is a Cauchy sequence. [50 Marks]

(d) Let  $(x_n)$  be a sequence of real number defined by

$$x_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n}\right) \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}. \text{ Show that } (x_n) \text{ is not convergent.}$$

[20 Marks]

