

**UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND**

**FINAL EXAMINATIONS 2007**

**B.Sc. / B.Ed. / B.A.S.S. III**

TITLE OF PAPER : Real Analysis

COURSE NUMBER : M331

TIME ALLOWED : THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS : 1. THIS PAPER CONSISTS OF  
SEVEN QUESTIONS.  
2. ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS : NONE

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PERMISSION HAS BEEN GRANTED BY THE INVIGILATOR.

QUESTION 1

- (a) Let  $S$  be a nonempty subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ .
- (i) Define  $\sup S$ ; [2]
  - (ii) Prove that if  $S$  has an upper bound, then it has a supremum. [12]
- (b) Let  $S$  be the set  $S = \{1 - \frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . Show that  $\inf S = 0$  and  $\sup S = 1$ . [6]

QUESTION 2

- (a) (i) Prove that every sequence of real numbers has a monotone subsequence. [8]
- (ii) Hence, or otherwise, prove the Bolzano Weierstrass theorem. [4]
- (b) (i) What is a monotone sequence? [2]
- (ii) Show that the sequence defined by the recurrence relation

$$a_1 = \sqrt{2}, \quad a_n = \sqrt{a_{n-1} + 2} \quad \text{for all } n = 2, 3, 4, \dots$$

is convergent, and find its limit. [6]

QUESTION 3

- (a) Let  $A$  be a nonempty bounded set of real numbers. Prove that if  $\inf A$  does not belong to  $A$ , then there exists a decreasing sequence  $\{a_n\} \subset A$  such that  $\inf A < a_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . [8]
- (b) (i) Define the *limit superior* and the *limit inferior* of a bounded sequence of real numbers. [3]
- (ii) Using the definition in (i), find

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \left\{ -2\frac{1}{2}, 0, 1, 3\frac{1}{2}, -2\frac{1}{3}, 0, 1, 3\frac{1}{3}, -2\frac{1}{4}, 0, 1, 3\frac{1}{4}, \dots \right\}.$$

[3]

- (c) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be nonempty subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$ , and define  $A + B = \{a + b : a \in A, b \in B\}$ . Prove or disprove that if  $A$  and  $B$  are bounded below, then  $\inf(A + B) = \inf A + \inf B$ . [6]

QUESTION 4

- (a) Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$  for each of the following functions and values of  $c$ :

(i)

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 - 25}{x - 5} & \text{if } x \neq 5 \\ 4 & \text{if } x = 5, \end{cases}$$

(ii)

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x \sin \frac{1}{x} & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0. \end{cases}$$

[6]

- (b) (i) What is meant by saying that a function  $f(x)$  is *continuous* at a point  $c$ ? (You may assume that  $f$  is defined on an interval  $(a, b)$  that contains  $c$ ).

- (ii) Show that if  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  are both continuous at  $c$ , then so is their product. [7]

- (c) Which of the following functions is continuous at the point 0? Give reasons for your answers.

(i)

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x \sin \frac{1}{x} & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0, \end{cases}$$

- (ii)  $f(x) = [x]$ , where  $[x]$  is the integer part of  $x$ .

[7]

QUESTION 5

- (a) Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and let  $c \in (a, b)$ . What is meant by saying that  $f$  is *differentiable* at the point  $c$ ? Show that if  $f$  is differentiable at  $c$ , then  $f$  is continuous at  $c$ . [7]
- b State and prove Rolle's Theorem. Use Rolle's theorem to deduce the Mean Value Theorem for a differentiable function  $f(x)$  defined on an interval  $[a, b]$ . [7]
- (c) Use the Mean Value Theorem to show that  $|\sin^2 x - \sin^2 y| \leq 2|x - y|$  for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ . [6]

QUESTION 6

- (a) Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Explain how the *Riemann integral*  $\int_a^b dx$  is defined using upper and lower sums. [10]
- (b) By considering the integral  $\int_1^n \frac{1}{x^2} dx$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , show that the series  $\sum \frac{1}{n^2}$  is convergent. [10]

QUESTION 7

- (a) Suppose that  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous and  $F(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt + c$  for all  $a \leq x \leq b$ . Show that  $F(x)$  is differentiable in the interval  $[a, b]$ , with derivative  $DF(x) = f(x)$ . [10]
- (b) Let  $g(x) = \int_0^{x^2} \ln(1 + 1/2 \sin t) dt$ . Show that  $g$  is differentiable for all  $x$  and find its derivative. [10]

END OF EXAMINATION