
UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

EXAMINATION, 2015/2016

BASS III, B.Ed (Sec.) III, B.Sc. III

Title of Paper : Real Analysis

Course Number : M331

Time Allowed : Three (3) Hours

Instructions

1. This paper consists of SIX (6) questions in TWO sections.
2. Section A is **COMPULSORY** and is worth 40%. Answer ALL questions in this section.
3. Section B consists of FIVE questions, each worth 20%. Answer ANY THREE (3) questions in this section.
4. Show all your working.
5. Start each new major question (A1, B2 – B6) on a new page and clearly indicate the question number at the top of the page.
6. You can answer questions in any order.

Special Requirements: NONE

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SECTION A [40 Marks]: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

QUESTION A1 [40 Marks]

- (a) Consider a set $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$.
- Explain what it means to say that the set A is bounded above and define $\sup(A)$ for such a set.
 - Explain what it means to say that the set A is bounded below and define $\inf(A)$ for such a set.
- (b) Let $A = \left\{ \frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{N} \right\}$. Is A bounded? Find (if they exist) $\min(A)$, $\max(A)$, $\inf(A)$, and $\sup(A)$.
- (c)
- Give the ε, N definition for the convergence of a sequence $\{x_n\}$ to the number x .
 - Explain what it means for a sequence $\{x_n\}$ to be Cauchy.
- (d) Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence.
- Explain what it means to say that a series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$ converges to the number s .
 - State the Test for Divergence for a series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$.
 - True or false? If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$, then the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$ is convergent. Explain your answer.
- (e) Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function and let $c \in (a, b)$.
- Explain what it means to say that f is continuous at c .
 - Explain what it means to say that f is differentiable at c .
 - True or false? If f is continuous at c , then f is differentiable at c . Explain your answer.
- (f) State Riemann's integrability criterion.
- (g) True or false? If f is integrable on $[a, b]$, then f is continuous on $[a, b]$. Explain your answer.

END OF SECTION A – TURN OVER

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS

QUESTION B2 [20 Marks]

(a) Let $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $a < b$ and $c < d$. Show that

$$ad + bc < ac + bd.$$

(b) Prove the reverse triangle inequality

$$\left| |x| - |y| \right| \leq |x - y| \quad \text{for } x, y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

(c) Show that the square of an odd number is odd.

(d) Prove that there is no rational number x such that $x^2 = 2$.

QUESTION B3 [20 Marks]

(a) i. State the Cauchy convergence criterion.

ii. Use the Cauchy convergence criterion to show that the sequence

$$\left\{ \frac{n+1}{n} \right\}$$

is convergent.

(b) Consider the sequence recursively defined by

$$x_1 = \sqrt{2}, \quad x_n = \sqrt{2 + x_{n-1}}, \quad n \geq 2.$$

i. Use mathematical induction to show that the sequence $\{x_n\}$ is increasing.

ii. Use mathematical induction to show that $x_n < 10$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

iii. Determine whether the sequence converges or not. Give reasons for your answer.

QUESTION B4 [20 Marks]

- (a) i. State the Intermediate Value Theorem. (3)
ii. Show that the equation $\sin x = 1 - x$ has a solution in the interval $[0, \pi/2]$. (3)
- (b) Prove: If $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$ exists, then it is unique. (7)
- (c) Let $f(x) = x^2$ and let $0 < a < \infty$. Show that f is uniformly continuous on $[-a, a]$. (7)

QUESTION B5 [20 Marks]

- (a) Prove: If $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable at $c \in I$, then f is continuous at c . (7)
- (b) State the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus. (3)
- (c) Let $f : [0, 2] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be given by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x < 1, \\ \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } x = 1, \\ 0, & \text{if } x > 1. \end{cases}$$

Show that f is Riemann integrable and find $\int_0^2 f(x) dx$. (1)

QUESTION B6 [20 Marks]

- (a) Prove: If $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$ is convergent, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$. (7)
- (b) Explain what it means to say that a series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$ converges absolutely. (3)
- (c) True or False? If the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$ is convergent, then it converges absolutely. Explain your answer. (3)
- (d) Prove: If the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$ converges absolutely, then it is convergent. (7)