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UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION, 2015/2016

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

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**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) Let  $A = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x^2 - x - 1 < 0\}$ . Find  $\sup(A)$  and  $\inf(A)$ . Does  $\min(A)$  exist? Does  $\max(A)$  exist?
- (b) i. Define a Cauchy sequence.  
ii. State the Cauchy convergence criterion for a sequence.  
iii. Define a Cauchy series.
- (c) i. Given a bounded function  $f$  and a partition  $P$  of the interval  $[a, b]$ , give the definitions of the *Riemann upper sum*  $U(P, f)$  and the *Riemann lower sum*  $L(P, f)$  of  $f$ , being careful to explain each symbol used.  
ii. State the Riemann integrability criterion.  
iii. Prove or disprove: *If  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$ , then  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ .*
- (d) i. Explain what it means to say that a series  $\sum x_n$  converges absolutely.  
ii. Prove or disprove: *If a series is convergent, then it converges absolutely.*
- (e) i. Give the  $\epsilon, \delta$  definition for a function  $f$  to have the limit  $L$  as  $x$  approaches a number  $c$ .  
ii. Explain what it means to say a function  $f$  is differentiable at  $c$ .
- (f) State the Intermediate Value Theorem.

**SECTION B: ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS**

**QUESTION B2 [20 Marks]**

(a) Show that for  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ , the following inequality

$$xy \leq \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2}$$

holds, with equality if  $x = y$ . Hence deduce the arithmetic-geometric mean inequality

$$\sqrt{ab} \leq \frac{a + b}{2}.$$

(b) Prove the reverse triangle inequality

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

(c) Use the order axioms to show that  $n^2 > n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $n > 1$ .

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

**QUESTION B3 [20 Marks]**

(a) Use the  $\varepsilon, N$  definition to show that

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

(b) Let  $\{x_n\}$  be the sequence defined recursively by

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

- i. Use mathematical induction to show that  $x_n \geq 0$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- ii. Use mathematical induction to show that the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is non-increasing.
- iii. Determine whether the sequence converges or not. Give reasons for your answer.

**QUESTION B4 [20 Marks]**

(a) Show that the equation

$$\ln x = 2 - x$$

has a solution in the interval  $[1, e]$ .

(b) Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function. Explain what each of the following statements means.

i.  $f$  is right-differentiable at  $c \in [a, b)$ .

ii.  $f$  is left-differentiable at  $c \in (a, b]$ .

(c) Give an example of a function that is left-differentiable and right-differentiable at a point  $c$  in its domain but not differentiable at  $c$ .

(d) Let  $f(x) = 10x - 9$ . Use an  $\epsilon, \delta$  argument to show that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = 11$ .

**QUESTION B5 [20 Marks]**

(a) Let  $f(x) = x^2$ . Show that  $f$  is uniformly continuous on  $[0, 1]$ .

(b) Let  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined by  $f(x) = x^3$  and let  $P = \{0, 0.1, 0.4, 1\}$ . Find  $U(P, f)$  and  $L(P, f)$ .

(c) Let  $f : [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined by  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \leq 0, \\ 1 & \text{if } x > 0. \end{cases}$

Show that  $f$  is Riemann integrable and find  $\int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx$ .

**QUESTION B6 [20 Marks]**

(a) Prove or disprove: If  $\sum x_n$  and  $\sum y_n$  are convergent series, then  $\sum x_n y_n$  is convergent.

(b) Prove: Let  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  convergent sequences. Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n + y_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n.$$

(c) Prove: If the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  converges absolutely, then it is convergent.