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BS-MS Program

Mid-Semester Examination-2024 (Autumn Semester-I)

Subject: Mathematics I

Subject Code(s): MAT 1101

Full marks: 25

Time allotted: 2 hrs

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Answer all questions. Each question carries 5 marks.

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1. Let  $A, B$  and  $C$  be non-empty sets. Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $g : B \rightarrow C$  be functions.
  - (a) Show that if  $g \circ f$  is injective, then  $f$  is injective.
  - (b) Show that if  $g \circ f$  is surjective, then  $f$  is surjective.
2. Let  $X$  be a non-empty set. Let  $f$  and  $g$  be defined on  $X$  and have bounded ranges in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Show that

$$\left| \inf_{x \in X} f(x) - \inf_{x \in X} g(x) \right| \leq \sup_{x \in X} |f(x) - g(x)|.$$

3. Let the real numbers  $x_n$  be defined as follows:  $x_1 = 1, x_2 = 2$ , and  $x_{n+2} := \frac{1}{2}(x_{n+1} + x_n)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Show that  $1 \leq x_n \leq 2$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .
4. Let  $x_1 = 1$  and  $x_{n+1} = \sqrt{2 + x_n}$  for  $n \geq 1$ . Show that  $\{x_n\}$  is convergent and find the limit.
5. Show that if  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  are convergent sequences, then the sequences  $\{u_n\}$  and  $\{v_n\}$  defined by  $u_n = \max\{x_n, y_n\}$  and  $v_n = \min\{x_n, y_n\}$  are also convergent.