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LC Real Analysis

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Three Hours

Full marks will be obtained with complete answers to all FOUR questions. Each question carries equal weight. You are advised to initially spend no more than 45 minutes on each question and then to return to any incomplete questions if you have time at the end. An indication of the number of marks allocated to parts of questions is shown in square brackets.

No calculator is permitted in this examination.

Section A

1. (a) Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function and let $\alpha, \ell \in \mathbb{R}$.

(i) Give the definition of the limit

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \alpha} f(x) = \ell.$$

(ii) By directly using the definition of limit from (i), show that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} 4x + 96 = 100.$$

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(b) Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function and let $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$.

(i) Define $f'(\alpha)$, the derivative of f at α .

(ii) By directly using the definition of derivative from (i), find the derivative of the function $f(x) = x^3$ at the point $x = 2$.

[5]

(c) Find the following limits and justify your answers. You can use any of the results discussed in lectures, provided you clearly state what you are using.

(i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(2x)}{3x};$

(ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x}{3x^2 - 2x + 4}.$

[6]

(d) Find the derivatives of the following functions.

(i) $f(x) = 3x^3 + 2x^2 - 6x + 1;$

(ii) $f(x) = \ln(2x + 3)$ for $x > 0$.

[6]

2. Suppose that $-\infty < a < b < \infty$.

(a) Is the function $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by

$$f(x) := \begin{cases} 5, & \text{if } x \in \mathbb{Q}; \\ 9, & \text{if } x \notin \mathbb{Q}, \end{cases}$$

integrable? Prove your answer.

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(b) State Riemann's Integrability Criterion for a bounded function $g : [a, b] \rightarrow [0, \infty)$.

[2]

(c) Use the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus, or otherwise, to prove that any continuous function $h : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ has an antiderivative.

[3]

(d) Find $\int \sin^6(x) \cos^3(x) \, dx$ in terms of elementary functions.

[3]

(e) Compute $\int_1^2 \frac{1}{x^2 \sqrt{x^2 + 9}} \, dx$.

[4]

(f) Find a solution $y : [1, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ of the initial value problem

$$y' + \frac{9y}{x} = 4x^3, \quad y(1) = 2. \quad [3]$$

(g) Find the general solution $y : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ of the differential equation $y'' + 2y' + 5y = 4x$.

[5]

Section B

3. (a) Use L'Hôpital's rule to find the following limits when it applies:

(i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{x^2}$;

(ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x^{0.001} \ln x$;

(iii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{4^{1/x} + 9^{1/x}}{2} \right)^x$.

[12]

- (b) Let $f : [1, 3] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function such that

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq 100|x - y|^{1.001}$$

for all $x, y \in [1, 3]$. Prove that f is a constant function. (Hint: first show $f'(x) = 0$.)

[5]

- (c) Let $f : \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the function defined by

$$f(x) = \frac{1 - 2x}{x^2} + 1$$

for all $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$. Find and determine the nature (i.e. local minima or local maxima) of the stationary points of f . Justify any assertions that you make.

[5]

- (d) Given $c \in \mathbb{R}$, prove that there is at most one solution to the equation

$$x^3 - 4x + c = 0$$

on the interval $[0, 1]$.

[3]

4. (a) Find $\int \frac{4x^2 + x + 10}{x^3 - x^2 + 4x - 4} dx$ in terms of elementary functions. [6]

(b) Compute $\int_0^\infty x^2 e^{-3x} dx$ with appropriate justification or prove that it diverges. [6]

(c) Suppose that $f : [a, b] \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is a bounded function, where $-\infty < a < b < \infty$, with the property that for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ there exist two partitions P_n and Q_n of $[a, b]$ such that

$$L(f, Q_n) \geq (b-a)^2 - \frac{5}{n^3 + n^2} \quad \text{and} \quad U(f, P_n) \leq (b-a)^2 + \frac{10}{n}.$$

(i) Prove that for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ there exists a partition R_n of $[a, b]$ such that

$$U(f, R_n) - L(f, R_n) \leq \frac{10}{n} + \frac{5}{n^3 + n^2}.$$

(ii) Use (i) to prove that f is integrable.

[6]

(d) Suppose that $g : [0, \pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is given by

$$g(x) := \int_0^{2x \cos^2(3x)} \sin(t^2) dt \quad \text{for all } x \in [0, \pi].$$

Prove that g is differentiable and find its derivative g' in terms of elementary functions. [7]

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