

# MM 263 (Real Analysis)

## Practice Problem Set - 1

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1. Show that:

(a) If  $x, y$  are rational numbers then  $x + y$  and  $xy$  are rational numbers.

(b) If  $x$  is a rational number and  $y$  is an irrational number then  $x + y$  is an irrational number. If, in addition  $x \neq 0$  then show that  $xy$  is an irrational number.

2. Prove that set  $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$  is countable.

3. Prove that set  $\mathbb{Q}$  of all rational numbers is countable.

4. In the ordered field  $\mathbb{Q}$ , show that the set  $\{r \in \mathbb{Q} : r^2 < 2\}$  is bounded above but it has no supremum.

5. Using Archimedean property, show that:

$$(a) \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(0, \frac{1}{n}\right) = \emptyset,$$

$$(b) \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}\right) = \{0\},$$

$$(c) \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{1}{n}, 1 + \frac{1}{n}\right] = [0, 1].$$

6. If  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $0 \leq x < \delta$  for every  $\delta > 0$ . Show that  $x = 0$ .

7. Show that supremum of the set  $\left\{2 - \frac{1}{m} : m \in \mathbb{N}\right\}$  is 2.

8. If  $S := \left\{\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{m} : m, n \in \mathbb{N}\right\}$ . Find  $\inf S$  and  $\sup S$ .

9. Let  $S$  be a nonempty bounded set in  $\mathbb{R}$ . For  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , show that:

(a) For  $a > 0$ ,  $\inf \{aS\} = a \inf \{S\}$ ,

(b) For  $a < 0$ ,  $\inf \{aS\} = a \sup \{S\}$ ,

(c) For  $a > 0$ ,  $\sup \{aS\} = a \sup \{S\}$ ,

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10. Using Mathematical Induction, prove Bernoulli's Inequality: For  $x > -1$ ,

$$(1+x)^n \geq 1+nx, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

11. Let  $\{x_n\} \subset \mathbb{R}$  be an arbitrary sequence such that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists$  an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|x_N| > \varepsilon$ . Show that  $\{x_n\}$  is divergent.

12. Let  $\{x_n\} \subset \mathbb{R}$  be an arbitrary sequence such that  $\exists$  an  $L \in \mathbb{R}$  such that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|x_n - L| < n\varepsilon$  for all  $n \geq N$ . Examine whether  $\{x_n\}$  is convergent / divergent / Inconclusive.

13. Let  $\{x_n\}$  be sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Show that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$  if and only if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x_n| = 0$ . Examine whether the convergence of  $|x_n|$  imply the convergence of  $x_n$  and vice- versa.

14. Let  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  be any two sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$ . Examine whether  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x_n y_n| = 0$ .

15. Let  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  be sequences in  $\mathbb{R}$  such that for some  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $0 \leq x_n \leq y_n$  for all  $n \geq N$ .

(a) Show that if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = 0$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ .

(b) For any  $r > 0$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{r} = 1$ .

(c)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{n} = 1$ .

16. Let  $\{x_n\}$  be bounded sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Define

$$a_k := \sup_{n \geq k} \{x_n\}$$

and

$$b_k := \inf_{n \geq k} \{x_n\}.$$

Prove that  $\{a_k\}$  and  $\{b_k\}$  are convergent sequence.

17. Let  $\{x_n\}$  be sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Prove that  $\{x_n\}$  has no convergent subsequence if and only if  $|x_n| \rightarrow \infty$ .

18. Let  $\{x_n\}$  be sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ . Assume that each subsequence of  $\{x_n\}$  has a convergent subsequence converging to  $a$ . Prove that  $x_n \rightarrow a$ .

19. Let  $x_1 = a$  and  $x_{n+1} := x_n + \frac{1}{x_n}$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Prove / Disprove:  $\{x_n\}$  is convergent.

20. Let  $x_0 = 1$  and  $x_{n+1} = \frac{3+2x_n}{3+x_n}$  for  $n \geq 0$ . Prove that  $\{x_n\}$  is convergent and find its value.

21. Let  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  and let  $\{x_n\}$  be any sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$  satisfying the recurrence relation

$$x_{n+1} = \alpha x_n + (1-\alpha)x_{n-1}.$$

Show that  $\{x_n\}$  is convergent and find its limit in terms of  $\alpha$ ,  $x_0$ ,  $x_1$ .

22. Let  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  be cauchy sequences in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Show that  $\{x_n + y_n\}$  and  $\{x_n y_n\}$  are cauchy sequences.

23. Let  $\{x_n\}$  be sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  be a given number (fixed) such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x_{n+p} - x_n| = 0.$$

Prove / Disprove:  $\{x_n\}$  is cauchy sequence.

24. Let  $\{x_n\}$  be decreasing sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow 0$ . Show that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} x_n$  converges.

25. Show that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  converges if and only if  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_{n+k}$  converges for each  $k \geq 1$ .

26. Let  $\{x_n\}$  be sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Show that  $\exists$  a series whose partial sums are  $x_n$ .

27. Show that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  converges if and only if for each  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|\sum_{k=m}^n x_k| < \varepsilon$  for all  $n \geq m \geq N$ .

28. Let  $\{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be an arbitrary collection of **non-negative** real numbers such that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  converges. Examine whether following series converge / diverge / inconclusive.

$$(a) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n^2$$

$$(b) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sqrt{x_n}$$

$$(c) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{x_n}}{n}$$

$$(d) \text{ For } x_n > 0, \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{\sin x_n}{x_n}\right)$$

29. Show that each of the following series converges, and determine its sum.

$$(a) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4n^2 - 1 + 3^{n-1}}{3^n (2n+1)(2n-1)}$$

$$(b) \sum_{n=10}^{\infty} \frac{10}{n^2 - 1}$$

$$(c) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{(n+1)(n+2)(n+3)}$$

30. For each of the series given below, determine whether it converges or diverges.

$$(a) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n \cos^3(n\pi/3)}{2^n}$$

$$(b) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tan \frac{1}{n}$$

$$(c) \sum_{n=5}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{n} + 1}{(n-1)(n+2)(n-4)}$$

$$(d) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tan \frac{1}{n}$$