MATH-331 Introduction to Real Analysis	
Homework 02	

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Exercise	1 (10)	2 (5)	3 (5)	4 (5)	5 (5)	6 (10)	7 (5)	8 (10)	9 (5)	10 (10)
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Table 1: Scores for each exercises

Instructions: You must answer all the questions below and send your solution by email (to parisepo@hawaii.edu). If you decide to not use LaTeX to hand out your solutions, please be sure that after you scan your copy, it is clear and readable. Make sure that you attached a copy of the homework assignment to your homework. No late homework will be accepted. No format other than PDF will be accepted. Name your file as indicated in the syllabus.

## WRITING PROBLEMS

For each of the following problems, you will be asked to write a clear and detailed proof. You will have the chance to rewrite your solution in your semester project after receiving feedback from me.

## Exercise 1. (10 pts)

- a) Let  $\{[a_n, b_n] : n \ge 1\}$  be a family of closed intervals such that  $[a_1, b_1] \supset [a_2, b_2] \supset [a_3, b_3] \supset \cdots$ . Show that there is a  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $c \in [a_n, b_n]$  for all  $n \ge \mathbb{N}$ . Follow the following steps to prove it:
  - (i) Prove that for any  $n, m \ge 1$ ,  $a_n \le b_m$ . [hint: put  $M := \max\{n, m\}$ .]
  - (ii) Show that  $\sup\{a_n : n \ge 1\}$  exists.
  - (iii) Show that  $c = \sup\{a_n : n \ge 1\}$  satisfies the requirement.
- b) Use this last result to prove that the set  $\mathbb{R}$  is uncountable. [Hint: Show that any function  $f: \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{R}$  can't be surjective. To do so, construct a sequence of closed intervals such that  $f(n) \notin [a_n, b_n]$  with  $a_n < b_n$ .]

**Exercise 2.** (5 pts) Prove that if  $a_n \to A$ , then  $|a_n| \to |A|$ .

**Exercise 3.** (5 pts) Let  $(a_n)$ ,  $(b_n)$ , and  $(c_n)$  be sequences of real numbers. Prove that if  $a_n \to L$ ,  $b_n \to L$ , and  $a_n \le c_n \le b_n$ , then  $c_n \to L$ .

**Exercise 4.** (5 pts) Prove that if  $a_n \to A$  and  $a_n \ge 0$  for all  $n \ge 1$ , then  $\sqrt{a_n} \to \sqrt{A}$ . Follow the following steps to prove it:

- 1. Consider the case A = 0.
- 2. Suppose that  $A \neq 0$ . Show that there is a  $N_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that if  $n \geq N_1$ , then  $\sqrt{a_n} \geq \sqrt{|A|/2}$ . [Hint: use the definition of convergence of  $(a_n)_{n\geq 0}$  with a clever choice of  $\varepsilon$  and use the properties of the absolute value.]
- 3. Use the convergence of  $(a_n)$  again to find a  $N_2$  such that  $|a_n A| < \frac{3}{4} \frac{\varepsilon}{\sqrt{|A|}}$ .
- 4. Express  $\sqrt{a_n} A$  as  $\frac{a_n A}{\sqrt{a_n} + \sqrt{A}}$  and put  $N = \max\{N_1, N_2\}$ . Conclude.

**Exercise 5.** (5 pts) For each sequence  $(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ , define the sequence  $(\sigma_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  by

$$\sigma_n := \frac{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n}{n} \quad (n \ge 1).$$

Prove that if  $a_n \to A$ , then  $\sigma_n \to A$ . Find an example of a divergent sequence  $(a_n)$  such that  $(\sigma_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges.

## Homework problems

**Exercise 6.** (10 pts) Use the definition of convergence to prove that each of the following sequences converges.

- a)  $(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  given by  $a_n = 5 + 1/n$  for  $n \ge 1$ .
- **b)**  $(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  given by  $a_n = \frac{3n}{2n+1}$  for  $n \ge 1$ .

**Exercise 7.** (5 pts) Prove that the sequence  $(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} = \left(\frac{2n+1}{n}\right)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a Cauchy sequence.

Exercise 8. (10 pts) Prove that each of the following sequence diverges.

- a)  $(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} = ((-1)^n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ .
- **b)**  $(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} = (\sin(\frac{4n+1}{2}\pi))_{n=1}^{\infty}.$

**Exercise 9.** (5 pts) Give an examples of two sequences  $(a_n)$  and  $(b_n)$  such that  $(a_n)$  and  $(b_n)$  don't converge, but  $(a_n + b_n)$  converge.

Exercise 10. (10 pts) With the limit operations and the writing problems, find the limit of the following sequence with general term

- a)  $\frac{n^2+4n}{n^2-5}$ .
- b)  $\frac{n}{n^2-3}$ .
- c)  $\frac{\cos n}{n}$ . [You can use what you know on the cosine function.]
- d)  $(\sqrt{4-\frac{1}{n}}-2)n$ .