

MA-102: Elementary Real Analysis

Assignment - 1

1. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$. Show that if $a \leq b + 1/n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $a \leq b$.
2. Let A and B be two non-empty subsets of \mathbb{R} such that $\sup A, \inf A, \sup B$ and $\inf B$ exist. Define $C = \{x + y : x \in A, y \in B\}$ and $D = \{x - y : x \in A, y \in B\}$, and prove the following:
 $\sup C = \sup A + \sup B$, $\inf C = \inf A + \inf B$, $\sup D = \sup A - \inf B$ and $\inf D = \inf A - \sup B$
3. Find the \sup and \inf of the following sets of real numbers:
 - (i) $\{x : (x-a)(x-b)(x-c)(x-d) < 0\}$, where $a < b < c < d$
 - (ii) $\{x : x = 2^{-p} + 3^{-q} + 5^{-r}\}$, where p, q and r take on all positive integer values.
4. Find the largest $\varepsilon > 0$ such that S contains the ε -neighborhood of x_0 :
 (i) $x_0 = 3/4$, $S = [1/2, 1)$ (ii) $x_0 = 5$, $S = (-1, \infty)$
5. Find the limit points of the following sets and classify them as open or closed sets:
 (i) $\left\{\frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{n} : m, n \in \mathbb{N}\right\}$ (ii) $\left]m - \frac{1}{2}, m + \frac{1}{2}\right[$ (iii) $[0, 1] \cup [2, 3]$ (iv) $\left\{1, -1, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, -\frac{1}{3}, \dots\right\}$
6. For $n \geq 1$, let $I_n = \left[\frac{1}{2n+1}, \frac{1}{2n}\right]$ and $S = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n$. Then find the set of limit points, boundary points and exterior of S .
7. Prove that a set is closed if and only if it contains all its limit points.
8. Prove that: if S is closed and bounded, then $\sup S$ and $\inf S$ are both in S .
9. Prove the following by using mathematical induction:
 - (i) If $s_0 > 0$ and $s_n = 1 - e^{-s_{n-1}}$, $n \geq 1$, then $0 < s_n < 1$, $n \geq 1$.
 - (ii) If $R, x_0 > 0$ and $x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{R}{x_n} + x_n \right)$, $n \geq 0$, then

$$x_n > x_{n+1} > \sqrt{R} \text{ and } x_n - \sqrt{R} \leq \frac{1}{2^n} \frac{(x_0 - \sqrt{R})^2}{x_0}, n \geq 1.$$
 - (iii) For what integer n , $\frac{1}{n!} > \frac{8^n}{(2n)!}$. Prove it by induction.
10. Prove that if $x_n \rightarrow a$ and $|y_n - x_n| \leq \frac{1}{n} \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $y_n \rightarrow a$.
11. Find limit of the following sequences
 - (i) $s_n = \sqrt{n}(\sqrt{4n+3} - 2\sqrt{n})$ (ii) $s_n = \frac{2.4.6 \dots 2n}{2.5.8 \dots (3n-1)}$ (iii) $s_n = \frac{1}{n^5} \sum_{k=0}^5 \binom{n}{k} 2^k$ (iv) $s_n = \sum_{k=0}^5 \frac{k}{n^2}$
12. Find the limit inferior and limit superior of the sequences $\{a_n\}$, where
 - (i) $a_n = \sin \frac{n\pi}{2} + \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$ (ii) $a_n = (-1)^n \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)$ (iii) $a_n = \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2}$
13. Check convergence of the following sequences using the Cauchy general principle.
 - (i) $\left\{1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n}\right\}$, (ii) $\left\{1 + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{7} + \dots + \frac{1}{3n-2}\right\}$.

14. Test the following sequence for convergence and find its limit, if exists

$$(i) s_1 = 5, \text{ and } s_{n+1} = \sqrt{4 + s_n} \quad \forall n \geq 1 \quad (ii) s_1 = 1 \text{ and } s_{n+1} = \frac{s_n^2 + 3}{2s_n} \quad \forall n \geq 1$$

15. Show that

$$(i) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{n^2 + 1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n^2 + 2}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n^2 + n}} \right] = 1 \quad (ii) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n!)^{1/n}}{n+1} \rightarrow \frac{1}{e}$$

$$(iii) a_n = \frac{3n!}{(n!)^3}, \text{ then } \{a_n^{1/n}\} \text{ converges, find its limit.}$$

$$(iv) s_n = \frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n+2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n+n} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \text{ is convergent.}$$

16. Show that the sequence $\left\{\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n\right\}$ converges to e (Euler's number).

17. Show that the following sequences are divergent:

$$(i) \left\{\sqrt{\frac{n^2+1}{5}}\right\} \quad (ii) \{n^2 - n^3\} \quad (iii) \left\{\frac{c^n}{n}\right\}, \quad c > 1.$$

18. Prove that every increasing unbounded sequence diverges to ∞ .

Answers

3. (i) $\sup = d$, $\inf = a$ (ii) $\sup = 31/30$, $\inf = 0$ 4. (i) $1/4$ (ii) 6

5. (i) $\{0\} \cup \{n^{-1} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$, neither open nor closed (ii) $\left[m - \frac{1}{2}, m + \frac{1}{2}\right]$, open (iii) $[0, 1] \cup [2, 3]$, closed

(iv) $\{0\}$, neither open nor closed 6. $S, \{0, 1/n : n \geq 2\}, (-\infty, 0) \cup \left[\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2n+2}, \frac{1}{2n+1}\right)\right] \cup (1/2, \infty)$

11. (i) $3/4$ (ii) 0 (iii) $4/15$ (iv) 0 12. (i) $-1, 1$ (ii) $-1, 1$ (iii) 0 14. (i) $\frac{1+\sqrt{17}}{2}$ (ii) $\sqrt{3}$