

Math 350 Section 1  
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- **Organize your work**, in a reasonably neat and coherent way, in the space provided. Work scattered all over the page without a clear ordering will receive very little credit.
- **Mysterious or unsupported answers will not receive full credit.** A correct answer, unsupported by calculations, explanation, or algebraic work will receive no credit; an incorrect answer supported by substantially correct calculations and explanations might still receive partial credit. This especially applies to limit calculations.
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Problem	Points	Score
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1. (10 points) **TRUE or FALSE!** Write TRUE if the statement is true. Otherwise, write FALSE. Your response should be in ALL CAPS. No justification is required.

(a) If  $\lim a_n = 0$  then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges

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(b) If  $\limsup a_n = \liminf a_n$  then  $a_n$  is the constant sequence

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(c) A bounded sequence must have a Cauchy subsequence

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(d) An absolutely convergent series must be convergent

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(e) There exists a sequence  $(s_n)$  where the value of every real number appears at least once

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2. (10 points)

Let  $(a_n)$  and  $(b_n)$  be bounded sequences.

(a) Prove

$$\limsup(a_n + b_n) \leq \limsup a_n + \limsup b_n$$

Let  $A_N = \sup\{a_n : n \geq N\}$  and  $B_N = \sup\{b_n : n \geq N\}$   
and  $C_N = \sup\{a_n + b_n : n \geq N\}$ . Then

$a_n \leq A_N$  and  $b_n \leq B_N \quad \forall n \geq N \Rightarrow$   
 $a_n + b_n \leq A_N + B_N \quad \forall n \geq N$ . Thus  $A_N + B_N$  is  
an upper bound of  $\{a_n + b_n : n \geq N\}$ . Since  $C_N$  is the least  
upper bound,  $C_N \leq A_N + B_N$ . Taking the limit:

$$\limsup(a_n + b_n) = \lim C_N \leq \lim A_N + \lim B_N = \limsup(a_n) + \limsup(b_n).$$

(b) Prove

$$\limsup a_n + \liminf b_n \leq \limsup(a_n + b_n)$$

Let  $\tilde{a}_n = a_n + b_n$  and  $\tilde{b}_n = -b_n$ . Then from (a) we have

$$\limsup(\tilde{a}_n + \tilde{b}_n) \leq \limsup(\tilde{a}_n) + \limsup(\tilde{b}_n).$$

Therefore

$$\limsup(a_n) \leq \limsup(a_n + b_n) + \limsup(-b_n)$$

and so

$$\limsup(a_n) \leq \limsup(a_n + b_n) - \liminf(b_n)$$

Adding  $\liminf(b_n)$  to both sides finishes the proof.

(c) Give an explicit example of two sequences  $(a_n)$  and  $(b_n)$  for which

$$\limsup(a_n + b_n) \neq \limsup a_n + \limsup b_n.$$

Take

$$(a_n) = (1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, \dots)$$

and

$$(b_n) = (0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, \dots)$$

$$\limsup(a_n + b_n) = 1 \neq 2 = \limsup(a_n) + \limsup(b_n).$$

3. (10 points)

Let  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ .

(a) Write down a closed form expression for the sum

$$\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} r^k = 1 + r + r^2 + \cdots + r^{n-1}.$$

$$\frac{1 - r^n}{1 - r}$$

(b) Use (a) to prove that if  $|r| < 1$  then

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} r^k = \frac{1}{1 - r}.$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} r^k = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} r^k = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - r^n}{1 - r} = \frac{1}{1 - r}$$

(c) Find an exact fractional expression for

$$0.2023202320232023 \cdots = 0.\overline{2023}$$

$$0.\overline{2023} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2023 \left(\frac{1}{10}\right)^{4n} = \frac{2023}{10^4} \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{10}\right)^{4n}$$

$$= \frac{2023}{10^4} \left( \frac{1}{1 - \left(\frac{1}{10}\right)^4} \right)$$

$$= \frac{2023}{10^4 - 1}$$

$$= \frac{2023}{9999}$$

4. (10 points)

(a) Write down the definition of  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converging.

The sequence of partial sums converges:

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} S_N \text{ exists for } S_N = \sum_{n=1}^N a_n.$$

(b) Let  $k \in \mathbb{R}$  and suppose that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges. Prove that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ka_n$  converges.

$$\text{Let } S_N = \sum_{n=1}^N a_n. \text{ Then } \sum_{n=1}^N ka_n = kS_N.$$

Since  $S_N$  converges, linearity  $\Rightarrow kS_N$  converges.Thus since the sequence of partial sums converges,  

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} kS_n \text{ converges.}$$
(c) Suppose  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$  converge. Prove  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n + b_n)$  converges.

$$\text{Let } S_N = \sum_{n=1}^N a_n \text{ and } t_N = \sum_{n=1}^N b_n. \text{ Then}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^N (a_n + b_n) = S_N + t_N. \text{ Since } S_N \text{ and } t_N \text{ converge,}$$

 $S_N + t_N$  converges by linearity!

$$\text{Thus } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} S_n + t_n \text{ converges.}$$

(d) Suppose  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$  are absolutely convergent. Prove  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n b_n$  converges.

$$\text{Since } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \text{ converges, } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0 \text{ and so } a_n$$

is bounded. Therefore  $\exists K > 0$  s.t.  $|a_n| \leq K \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .Thus  $|a_n b_n| \leq K |b_n|$ . Since  $(b_n)$  is absolutely convergent  
 part (b) implies  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} K |b_n|$  converges. Therefore the

$$\text{Comparison Test } \Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n b_n| \text{ converges } \Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n b_n$$

is absolutely convergent and therefore converges.

5. (10 points)

For each of the following series, determine if it diverges, converges, or converges absolutely. Carefully justify your answer.

(a)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{n^3 + 1}$$

$$\frac{n}{n^3+1} \leq \frac{n}{n^3} = \frac{1}{n^2} \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \text{ converges, so}$$

the original series converges by the Comparison Test.

(b)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{n!}$$

Converges by Ratio Test

(c)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{5^n}{n^n}$$

Converges by Root Test

(d)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(n\pi)}{n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$$

Converges by AST

(e)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)!}{(n+1)^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{n^n}{n!} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{n}{n+1} \right)^n = \frac{1}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{n+1}{n} \right)^n} = \frac{1}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^n} = \frac{1}{e}$$

and so we converge by Ratio Test.

6. (10 points)

Let  $\mathbb{I}$  be the set of all irrational numbers in the interval  $[0, 1]$ . Consider the function

$$f: I \rightarrow [0, 1]$$

defined via decimal expansions by

$$f(0.d_1d_2d_3d_4d_5d_6\dots) = 0.d_1d_3d_5d_7\dots$$

(a) Prove that  $f(x)$  is not injective.

Let  $\sqrt{2} = 0.a_1a_2a_3a_4\dots$  and  $\sqrt{3} = 0.b_1b_2b_3b_4\dots$   

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= 0.d_1a_1d_3a_2d_5a_3d_7a_4d_9a_5\dots \\ y &= 0.d_1b_1d_3b_2d_5b_3d_7b_4d_9b_5\dots \end{aligned} \right\} \in \mathbb{I} \cap [0, 1] \text{ since decimal is non-repeating}$$
  
 Then  $x \neq y$  but  $f(x) = f(y)$ . Thus  $f$  is not injective!

(b) Prove that  $f(x)$  is surjective.

Let  $(a_n)$  be as in part (a). Then for any  $z \in [0, 1]$   
 write  $z = 0.d_1d_2d_3d_4d_5\dots$  and take  

$$x = 0.d_1a_1d_3a_2d_5a_3d_7a_4\dots$$
 This is in  $\mathbb{I} \cap [0, 1]$   
 Then  $f(x) = z$ .  $\therefore f$  is surjective.

(c) If we replace  $I$  with the interval  $[0, 1]$  above, prove that the function is no longer well-defined. Carefully explain.

$$f(0.0099999) = 0.099999\dots$$

$$f(0.0100000) = 0.000000\dots$$

however  $0.0099999 = 0.0100000 \Rightarrow \Leftarrow$ .

so  $f(x)$  isn't well-defined.

7. (10 points)

(a) Write down the  $\epsilon, \delta$ -definition of continuity.

$f(x)$  is continuous at  $a$  if  $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0$  s.t.  
 $|x-a| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x)-f(a)| < \epsilon.$

(b) Consider the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x, & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0 & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$$

Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $a \neq 0$ . Prove that  $f(x)$  is not continuous at  $x = a$ .

If  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x=a$ , then for all  
 sequences  $(a_n)$  with  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a$  we must  
 have  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(a_n) = f(a).$

If  $a \in \mathbb{Q}$ , take  $a_n = a + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{n}$ . Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(a_n) = 0 \neq a = f(a)$

If  $a \notin \mathbb{Q}$ , take  $(a_n)$  to be a sequence of rationals with  
 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a$ . Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(a_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a \neq 0 = f(a).$

(In either case, we have a contradiction)

(c) Prove that  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 0$ .

Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Choose  $\delta = \epsilon$ . Then for  $|x-0| < \delta$

we have two cases:

(I) Assume  $x \in \mathbb{Q}$ . Then  $|f(x)-f(0)| = |x-0| < \delta = \epsilon.$

(II) Assume  $x \notin \mathbb{Q}$ . Then  $|f(x)-f(0)| = |0-0| = 0 < \epsilon.$

In either case  $|f(x)-f(0)| < \epsilon$ . Since  $\epsilon > 0$   
 was arbitrary, this proves  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x=0$ .