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EXAMINATION FOR INTERNAL STUDENTS

For The Following Qualifications:-

B.Sc. M.Sci.

Mathematics M11A: Analysis 1

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UNIT VALUE : **0.50**

DATE : **05-MAY-06**

TIME : **14.30**

TIME ALLOWED : **2 Hours**

All questions may be attempted but only marks obtained on the best **four** solutions will count.

The use of an electronic calculator is **not** permitted in this examination.

1. What does it mean to say that a sequence (x_n) converges to a limit L ?

Let (x_n) be an increasing sequence that is bounded above: prove that (x_n) converges.

State and prove the Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem. (You may assume an analogue of the second part of the question, for decreasing sequences.)

2. You are *given* the following fact: if $(x_k)_0^\infty$ is a sequence converging to s then

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} x_k \rightarrow s \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Let the sequence (x_n) be defined inductively by

$$\begin{aligned} x_0 &= 0 \\ x_n &= 1 + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} x_k \quad \text{for } n \geq 1. \end{aligned}$$

Prove that the sequence does *not* converge.

Calculate the first few terms of the sequence. By considering the successive differences $x_n - x_{n-1}$, of the terms you have calculated, guess a formula for the general term x_n .

Use the inductive definition to show that

$$nx_n - (n-1)x_{n-1} = x_{n-1} + 1$$

and hence confirm your guess.

3. *Prove* that the series

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

converges is $s > 1$.

For which real values of x does the following series converge?

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

Justify your answer carefully.

[You may assume standard convergence tests provided that you state them clearly.]

4. For the purposes of this question you may assume that

$$\log x \leq x - 1 \quad \text{for every } x > 0. \quad (1)$$

Use inequality (1) to prove that

$$\log x \geq 1 - \frac{1}{x} \quad \text{for every } x > 0.$$

Show that for each natural number n

$$0 \leq \frac{1}{n} - \log \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) \leq \frac{1}{n(n+1)}.$$

Deduce that the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} - \log \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) \right)$$

converges and that the sum is at most 1.

Show that the sequence whose m^{th} term is

$$\left(\sum_{n=1}^m \frac{1}{n} \right) - \log(m+1)$$

converges to a number between 0 and 1.

5. *State and prove* the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality.

Let $(x_k)_1^n$ be a finite sequence of positive numbers. Show that

$$\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{x_k}\right)^{-1} \leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n x_k. \quad (2)$$

Assuming the AM/GM inequality,

$$\left(\prod_{k=1}^n a_k\right)^{1/n} \leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n a_k$$

for positive numbers, show that the geometric mean

$$\left(\prod_{k=1}^n x_k\right)^{1/n}$$

lies between the two expressions in inequality (2).

6. What does it mean to say that a real function defined on \mathbf{R} is continuous?

State and prove the intermediate value theorem for a continuous function $f : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$.

Let $p : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be the polynomial given by

$$p(x) = x^3 + x - 1.$$

Prove that there is a real number t with $p(t) = 0$.