

MATH 351 ADDITIONAL PRACTICE FINAL EXAMINATION
QUESTIONS (FROM PAST EXAMS) (REVISED)

PART I

- (a) Give an example of two convergent series $\sum a_n$ and $\sum b_n$ such that $\sum a_n b_n$ diverges.
- (b) Give an example of a continuous function, $g: (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$, such that g is uniformly continuous on $(1, \infty)$, but not uniformly continuous on $(0, 1]$.
- (c) Find a function $g: \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ such that g is continuous everywhere except for the set $\{1/n : n \in \mathbf{N}\}$.
- (d) Give an example of a sequence that has a strictly increasing subsequence, a strictly decreasing subsequence and a constant subsequence.
- (e) Give an example of a sequence $\{t_n\}$ such that $t_n \rightarrow 0$ and $\sin(1/t_n) \rightarrow 1/2$.
- (f) Give an example of a sequence $\{I_n\}$ of nested closed intervals such that

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n = \phi$$

- (g) Find a sequence $\{b_n\}$ such that, for all $p \in \mathbf{N}$, there exists a subsequence of $\{b_n\}$ that converges to p .
- (h) Given a sequence $\{c_n\}$, define a new sequence $\{a_n\}$ as follows:

$$a_n = \frac{c_1 + c_2 + c_3 + \dots + c_n}{n}$$

(Note that each a_n is the average of the first n terms of the $\{c_n\}$ sequence.)
Find a divergent sequence $\{c_n\}$ for which $\{a_n\}$ converges.

- (i) Give an example of a function $f: \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ which is *not* continuous everywhere, yet which satisfies the property that: if I is any compact interval then $f(I)$ is a compact interval.
- (j) Give an example of two series $\sum a_n$ and $\sum b_n$ for which $\sum (a_n + b_n)$ converges and yet the series $a_1 + b_1 + a_2 + b_2 + a_3 + b_3 + \dots$ diverges.
- (k) Give an example of two bounded sequences $\{a_n\}$ and $\{b_n\}$ for which

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

- (m) Give an example of two non-empty sets of real numbers, A and B , for which $\sup AB \neq (\sup A)(\sup B)$. (Here AB is defined to be $\{ab \mid a \in A, b \in B\}$.)
- (n) Let $f: \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be defined by:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 & \text{if } x \in \mathcal{Q} \\ x+2 & \text{if } x \notin \mathcal{Q} \end{cases}$$

Where is f continuous?

- (o) Give an example of a function that is bounded and continuous but not uniformly continuous.
- (p) Give an example of two divergent sequences $\{a_n\}$ and $\{b_n\}$ such that the sequence $\{a_nb_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence.
- (q) Give an example of a function $g: \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ that is continuous only at $x = 0$.
- (r) Give an example of two continuous functions, $f(x)$ and $g(x)$, each defined on $(-\infty, 5)$, satisfying:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &< g(x) \text{ for all } x < 5 \\ &\text{and} \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} f(x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 5} g(x) \end{aligned}$$

- (s) Give an example of a continuous function $f: (0,1) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ and a Cauchy sequence $\{a_n\} \subset (0,1)$ such that $\{f(a_n)\}$ does not converge.

PART II

- State the Comparison Test for numerical series.
 - Determine convergence or divergence of the following series. Prove your result using the Comparison Test.
- $$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(n^2 + 1789)(n + 2008)}{(n + 1776)^2 (n + 1492)^2}$$
- Let A be a non-empty subset of \mathbf{R} . Define *uniform continuity* for a function $F: A \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$.
 - State what it means for a function $F: A \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ to *fail to be uniformly continuous* on A by negating your definition above.
 - State the Nested Interval Theorem.
 - Using the Nested Interval Theorem, give Georg Cantor's original proof that \mathbf{R} is uncountable.

4. Prove, using *only the definition of continuity*, that $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 4}{x + 2}$ is continuous at $x = 2$.

5. Prove that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^n x \, dx = 0.$$

6. Let $\{a_n\}$ and $\{b_n\}$ be sequences satisfying $a_n + b_n \rightarrow A$ and $a_n - b_n \rightarrow B$. Prove that $\{a_n b_n\}$ converges, and that its limit is $\frac{1}{4}(A^2 - B^2)$.

7. Prove that $\ln n! \sim n \ln n$.

8. State and prove the n^{th} term test for divergence of a series.

$$a_n = (-1)^n n \sin(1/n) + \frac{n^3 + 1}{(n+1)^3} \quad \text{and let} \quad b_n = \frac{(-1)^n n^2 + 1}{(2n+1)^2}.$$

9. Find each of the following:

- (A) $\liminf a_n$
- (B) $\liminf b_n$
- (C) $\limsup a_n$
- (D) $\limsup b_n$

10. $f: I \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ is said to be a *Lipschitz function* if there exists $L > 0$ such that for all x, t in I , $|f(x) - f(t)| < L|x - t|$.

- (A) Prove that if f is a Lipschitz function then f is uniformly continuous
- (B) Give an example of a uniformly continuous function that is not Lipschitz.

11. The *Dirichlet function* $f: (0,1) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ is defined by:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{q} & \text{if } x = \frac{p}{q} \text{ is in lowest terms with } p, q \in \mathbf{N} \\ 0 & \text{if } x \text{ is irrational} \end{cases}$$

Prove that, for all $a \in (0, 1)$,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = 0.$$

(Hint: Show that, for all $q \in \mathbf{N}$, there exist only finitely many $x \in (0, 1)$ such that $f(x) \geq 1/q$.)

12. Let n^* be the smallest positive integer n for which the inequality $(1 + x)^n > 1 + nx + nx^2$ is true for all $x > 0$. Compute n^* and prove that the inequality is true for all integers $n \geq n^*$.
13. *Thomae's function* (aka the *Popcorn Function*) $f: (0, 1) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ is defined by:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{q} & \text{if } x = \frac{p}{q} \text{ is in lowest terms with } p, q \in \mathbf{N} \\ 0 & \text{if } x \text{ is irrational} \end{cases}$$

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(Hint: Show that, for all $q \in \mathbf{N}$, there exist only finitely many $x \in (0, 1)$ such that $f(x) \geq 1/q$.)

PART III

1. Using mathematical induction prove the following:

$$1(1!) + 2(2!) + 3(3!) + \dots + n(n!) = (n + 1)! - 1 \text{ for all } n \in \mathbf{N}.$$

2. Let E be a non-empty subset of \mathbf{R} that is bounded above. Define

$$U = \{\beta \in \mathbf{R} : \beta \text{ is an upper bound of } E\}.$$

Prove that $\sup E = \inf U$.

3. Let f be a continuous function defined on $[0, 13]$. Prove that f is bounded.
4. Let f and g be uniformly continuous functions defined on \mathbf{R} . Prove that the composition function, $g \circ f$, is also uniformly continuous on \mathbf{R} .

5. Let $a_n \geq 0$ for all $n \in \mathbf{N}$. If $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges, prove that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{a_n}}{n}$ converges.

Hint: Expand $\left(\sqrt{a_n} - \frac{1}{n}\right)^2$

6. Let $a_n = n^{1/n}$. Prove that $a_n \rightarrow 1$.
7. Let $\{p_n\}$ be a Cauchy sequence that has a convergent subsequence. Prove that $\{p_n\}$ converges.