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Midterm Exam 2

MAT 25–Temple

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Problem	Your Score	Maximum Score
1		20
2		20
3		20
4		20
5		20
Total		100

Problem #1 (20pts): Short Answer: (a) Define what it means for a sequence of real numbers s_n to be Cauchy. Then state the Cauchy Equivalence of Convergence Theorem.

s_n Cauchy if $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } m, n > N \Rightarrow |s_n - s_m| < \epsilon$

Thm: a sequence s_n converges to real number iff s_n is Cauchy

(b) Define $\underline{s}_N$, $\bar{s}_N$, $\liminf(s_n)$, and $\limsup(s_n)$. 2 each

$$\underline{s}_N = \text{GLB} \{s_n : n > N\} \quad \underline{s} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \underline{s}_N$$

$$\bar{s}_N = \text{LUB} \{s_n : n > N\} \quad \bar{s} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \bar{s}_N$$

(c) Write the correct inequalities that hold between $\underline{s}_N$, $\bar{s}_N$, $\liminf(s_n)$ and $\limsup(s_n)$. (You need not justify your answers.)

$$\underline{s}_N \leq \underline{s} \leq \bar{s} \leq \bar{s}_N$$

2pts 2pts 2pts

Problem #2 (20pts): Short Answer:

(a) A sequence is convergent if:

$$\exists s_0 \in \mathcal{R} \text{ st } \forall \epsilon > 0 \exists N \in \mathcal{N} \text{ st } \forall n > N, |s_n - s_0| < \epsilon.$$

Write the statement which asserts the sequence does *not* converge.

$$\forall s_0 \in \mathcal{R} \exists \epsilon > 0 \text{ st } \forall N \in \mathcal{N} \exists n > N |s_n - s_0| \geq \epsilon$$

(b) State the Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem:

bounded
Every sequence s_n contains a
convergent subsequence

(c) Define what it means for a set to be (sequentially) *closed*.

S is sequentially closed if it contains
the limits of all convergent subsequences

Problem #3 (20pts): (a) Give the definition of $s_n \rightarrow -\infty$.

$s_n \rightarrow -\infty$ means: $\forall M > 0 \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ st
 $n > N \Rightarrow s_n < -M.$

8pts

12pts (b) Prove directly that if $s_n \rightarrow -\infty$, then every subsequence $s_{n_k} \rightarrow -\infty$.

Assume $s_n \rightarrow -\infty$, and let s_{n_k} be a subsequence of s_n .
We prove $s_{n_k} \rightarrow -\infty$.

So fix $M > 0$. We find N st $k > N \Rightarrow s_{n_k} < -M$

But we know $s_n \rightarrow -\infty$, so $\exists N_1$ st $n > N_1$ implies $s_n < -M$. Now $n_k \rightarrow \infty$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$,

so choose N st $k > N$ implies $n_k > N_1$.

Then $k > N$ implies $s_{n_k} < -M$ because $n_k > N_1$.

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Problem #4 (20pts): Assume $s_n \rightarrow s_0$ converges to a real number s_0 , and let t_n be a bounded sequence. Prove

$$\limsup (s_n t_n) = s_0 \limsup (t_n).$$

~~Let $B = \limsup t_n$. We prove that $\forall \epsilon > 0$,~~

$$|\limsup s_n t_n - s_0 B| \leq \epsilon.$$

Choose N st $n > N \Rightarrow |s_n - s_0| < \frac{\epsilon}{M}$, where $|t_n| < M$.

Then $|s_n t_n - s_0 t_n| = |s_0 - s_n| |t_n| < \epsilon$ for $n > N$.

But if two sequences a_n & b_n satisfy

$|a_n - b_n| < \epsilon$, then $|\limsup a_n - \limsup b_n| \leq \epsilon$.

To see this, $\bar{a}_N = \text{LUB} \{a_n : n > N\}$

$$\bar{b}_N = \text{LUB} \{b_n : n > N\}$$

and since $|a_n - b_n| < \epsilon$, also $|\bar{a}_N - \bar{b}_N| < \epsilon$, so

$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} |\bar{a}_N - \bar{b}_N| = |\bar{a} - \bar{b}| \leq \epsilon$. But then $n > N$

we have $|s_n t_n - s_0 t_n| < \epsilon \Rightarrow |\limsup s_n t_n - \limsup s_0 t_n| \leq \epsilon$

$\Rightarrow |\limsup s_n t_n - s_0 \limsup t_n| \leq \epsilon$ as claimed

Problem #5 (20pts): Let s_n be a bounded sequence. We call a term s_N in the sequence *diminutive* if it is smaller than all the terms in the sequence which follows it, i.e., $s_N \leq s_n$ for all $n \geq N$. Prove directly that if a sequence has only a finite number of diminutive terms, then it contains a monotone subsequence.

Since there are only finitely many diminutive terms, choose N such that $\nexists$ diminutive terms for $n > N$. Choose s_{n_1} with $n_1 > N$.

Now s_{n_1} not diminutive implies $\exists n_2 > n_1$ such that $s_{n_2} \leq s_{n_1}$. (Otherwise, s_{n_1} is diminutive)

Similarly, s_{n_2} not diminutive implies $\exists n_3 > n_2$ such that $s_{n_3} \leq s_{n_2}$. Continuing to n_k , there exists $n_{k+1} > n_k$ such that

$s_{n_{k+1}} \leq s_{n_k}$ because s_{n_k} is not diminutive.

Thus by induction, $s_{n_{k+1}} \leq s_{n_k} \Rightarrow \{s_{n_k}\}$ is a monotone decreasing sequence. ✓