

1. Let  $a, b, x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ . Prove that:

(3) a)  $\max\{x, y\} = \frac{|x-y|}{2} + \frac{x+y}{2}$ .

(4) b)  $|x| > b > 0 \Rightarrow \left| \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{x} \right| \leq \frac{|a-x|}{b|a|}$ . ( $a \neq 0$ !)

(1) - using cases or "symmetry"

(2)

a) If  $x \leq y$ ,  $\max\{x, y\} = y$ , while  $|x-y| = y-x$

$$\therefore \frac{|x-y|}{2} + \frac{x+y}{2} = \frac{y-x}{2} + \frac{x+y}{2} = \frac{y}{2} + \frac{y}{2} = y = \max\{x, y\}$$

If  $x > y$ ,  $\max\{x, y\} = x$ , while  $|x-y| = x-y$ .

$$\text{Hence, } \frac{|x-y|}{2} + \frac{x+y}{2} = \frac{x-y}{2} + \frac{x+y}{2} = \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x}{2} = x = \max\{x, y\}$$

b)  $\left| \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{x} \right| = \left| \frac{x-a}{ax} \right| = \frac{|x-a|}{|a||x|}$ . But  $|x| > b > 0$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{|x|} < \frac{1}{b} \quad \therefore \frac{|x-a|}{|x||a|} < \frac{|x-a|}{b|a|} \text{ as req'd.}$$

(2)

(1) realizing that  $x \neq y \Rightarrow x > y$

2. a) If  $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  is a real sequence and  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , give the definition of " $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a$ ." (3)

b) Suppose  $a_n = \frac{n^2+1}{3(n+1)^2}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Find  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$ , and prove carefully that it exists, using the definition.

$$a) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a \iff \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t.} \\ \forall n \geq N, |a - a_n| < \varepsilon.$$

$$b) \text{ We claim } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \frac{1}{3}: \left| \frac{1}{3} - a_n \right| = \left| \frac{1}{3} - \frac{n^2+1}{3(n+1)^2} \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{n^2+2n+1 - (n^2+1)}{3(n+1)^2} \right| = \frac{2n}{3(n+1)^2} < \frac{2n}{3n^2} \quad (\text{since } (n+1)^2 > n^2)$$

$$= \frac{2}{3n}. \text{ Let } \varepsilon > 0, \text{ and choose } N > \frac{2}{3\varepsilon}. \text{ Then,}$$

$$\forall n \geq N, n > \frac{2}{3\varepsilon} \text{ so } \frac{2}{3n} < \varepsilon. \text{ Hence, } \forall n \geq N,$$

$$\left| \frac{1}{3} - a_n \right| < \varepsilon. \quad \text{Thus, } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \frac{1}{3}$$

① -  $\frac{1}{3}$

① -  $\left| \frac{1}{3} - a_n \right| < b_n$ , with  $b_n \rightarrow 0$

① -  $b_n < \frac{1}{n}$  somehow (well-works)

① Good choice of  $N$

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3. a) If  $\{c_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  is a real sequence, give the definition of " $\{c_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  is a Cauchy sequence."

(2)

b) Suppose  $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  is a Cauchy sequence. Prove that if  $\exists r > 0$  s.t.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, a_n > r$ , then  $\{\frac{1}{a_n}\}_{n \geq 1}$  is a Cauchy sequence.

0 or 2

a)  $\{c_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  is Cauchy if,  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N$  s.t.  $m, n \geq N$   
 $\Rightarrow |c_n - c_m| < \varepsilon.$

b) Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $|\frac{1}{a_n} - \frac{1}{a_m}| = \left| \frac{a_m - a_n}{a_n a_m} \right| = \frac{|a_m - a_n|}{a_n a_m}$

But  $a_n > r, a_m > r$ , so  $\frac{1}{a_n a_m} < \frac{1}{r^2}$ . Hence

$$\left| \frac{1}{a_n} - \frac{1}{a_m} \right| < \frac{|a_m - a_n|}{r^2}$$

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ , choose  $N$  s.t.  $\forall n, m \geq N$ ,  
 $|a_n - a_m| < \varepsilon \cdot r^2$ . Then,  $\forall n, m \geq N$

$$\left| \frac{1}{a_n} - \frac{1}{a_m} \right| < \frac{\varepsilon r^2}{r^2} = \varepsilon.$$

Thus,  $\{\frac{1}{a_n}\}_{n \geq 1}$  is Cauchy

①  $\rightarrow \frac{|a_m - a_n|}{a_n a_m}$

② establishing  $\dots < \frac{|a_m - a_n|}{r^2}$

① Good choice of  $N$

① Well-written

5. a) Define what is meant by an "accumulation point" of a real sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ .

0 or 2  
②

b) Let  $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  be a bounded real sequence and let

$$x := \sup \{x_n \mid n \geq 1\}.$$

Suppose that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, x_n < x$ . Prove that  $x$  is an accumulation point of  $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ .

a) An accumulation point of  $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  is the limit of some convergent subsequence of  $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ .

b) Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}, k \geq 1$ , and define  $S_k = \{n \in \mathbb{N} \mid x_n \in (x - \frac{1}{k}, x)\}$ . Each  $S_k$  is non-empty, and in fact has only many elements: if not, let  $y = \max S_k$ . Then  $y = x_N$  for some  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ , and so  $y < x$ . But then,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, x_n \leq y$  (since  $y = \max S_k$ ), and so  $\sup \{x_n \mid n \geq 1\} = \max \{x_n \mid n \geq 1\} = y$ , contradicting  $y < x$ .

Now choose  $n_1 \in S_1$ ; Since  $S_2$  is infinite,  $\exists n_2 \in S_2$  with  $n_2 > n_1$ .

Having chosen  $n_j \in S_j$  with  $n_j > n_{j-1}$  for  $j=2, \dots, k-1$ , we choose  $n_k \in S_k$  with  $n_k > n_{k-1}$ . This is possible since  $S_k$  is infinite.

Hence, we have a subsequence  $\{x_{n_k}\}_{k \geq 1}$  with the

property that  $x_{n_k} \in (x - \frac{1}{k}, x)$ , since  $n_k \in S_k$ . So

let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and choose  $M \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $M > \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$ . Then if  $k \geq M$ ,

$$\frac{1}{k} \leq \frac{1}{M} < \varepsilon, \text{ and so } |x - x_{n_k}| < \frac{1}{k} < \varepsilon.$$

Hence,  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_k} = x$ , so  $x$  is an accumulation

point of  $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ .

① "S\_k is infinite"  
② proof of \*

① " $n_{k+1} > n_k$ "

①  $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x$

A a) Let  $\{t_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  be a real sequence. Define what is meant by "the series  $\sum_{n \geq 1} t_n$  converges."

b) Does the series  $\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{n+1}{n^3+1}$  converge?

a) Let  $S_m = \sum_{j=1}^m t_j$ . Then  $\sum_{n \geq 1} t_n$  converges if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_m$  exists.

b) Note that  $n^3 + 1 > n^3$ ,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $n + 1 \leq 2n$ ,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Hence  $\frac{n+1}{n^3+1} < \frac{2n}{n^3} = \frac{2}{n^2}$ .

But we know that  $\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n^2}$  converges. So too, then, (from class)

does  $\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{2}{n^2}$ . By comparison (all terms are true),

$\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{n+1}{n^3+1}$  also converges.

- ① - trying comparison
- ② - good estimate that will work + proving the estimate
- ① - well written

6. (Bonus)

(3 1/2 pts)

2 a) Let  $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  be a decreasing, positive sequence such that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges. Prove that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n a_n = 0$ .

1/2 b) Suppose  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n^2$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n^2$  converge. Prove that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n b_n$  converges.

a) Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ , and choose  $N$  s.t.  $\forall n \geq N, \forall k, a_{n+1} + \dots + a_{n+k} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ .

But  $a_{n+j} \geq a_{n+k}, j=1, \dots, k$ , so  $k \cdot (a_{n+k}) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$  if  $n \geq N$  and  $k \geq 1$ .

Hence, if  $k \geq N$  and  $m \geq 1, m \cdot (a_{k+m}) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ . Thus, if  $k, m \geq N$ ,

$(m+k) a_{n+k} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon$ . Let  $M = 2N$ , and choose  $m \geq M$ . Write

$m = n+k$  with  $n \geq N, k \geq N$ . Then, as  $m a_m = (n+k) a_{n+k} < \varepsilon$ .

Hence,  $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} m a_m = 0$ .

b) Note that if  $a, b$  are real,  $0 \leq (a-b)^2 = a^2 - 2|ab| + b^2$ .

Hence,  $|ab| \leq \frac{1}{2}(a^2 + b^2)$ . The series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2}(a_n^2 + b_n^2)$  converges

because  $\sum a_n^2$  &  $\sum b_n^2$  do. Hence  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n b_n|$  converges.

Thus,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n b_n$  also converges.